MAĀSIR-I-'ĀLAMGIRI

A History of the Emperor Amangzib-'Alamgii (reign 1658-1707 A.D.)

> or SAQL MUST'AD KHAN

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TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE

Ι

THE Emperor Akbar (reign 1556-1605 AD) set the example of having a detailed history of his reign written by official command The result was the Akbar-nāmah or 'Book of Akbar' of Abul Fazl (completed by other hands after that author's death) Then came the Emperor Jahangir, who dictated his own memoirs, known as the Tuzuk-1-Jahangin, and therefore no official Jahangir-namah had to be written about him This book, however, combines the literary characteristics of an autobiography with those of an official history, or in other words, it gives the Emperor's own reflections and feelings as well as an objective record of the events of his reign Indeed, in this reign, the literary type of the Mughal official histories was determined for the future, as was exemplified by the Pādishāhnāmah (Shāh Jahān), the 'Alamgir-nāmah (of Aurangzib, completed by the Maāsır-1-Alamgırı), the Bahādur Shāh-nāmah (Shāh Alam I) and later attempts like the Tārikh-i-Āhmad Shāhi and the Tārikh-i-'Ālamgii Sānı

In all these works, or Nāmahs proper, the events are built upon a rigid skeleton of dates chronologically arranged, there is accurate but tiresome assemblage of minute names of persons and places in the course of every month's narrative of occurrences, and the mechanical division of the book into a chapter for each regnal Such a collection of facts, if it is to be correct, vear is followed requires a basis of written official records, and this basis was supplied by the waqai' or official reports of occurrences regularly sent from every province to the central Government of Delhi issued in the 24th year of his reign (1580), Akbar appointed in each province of his empire a uniform set of officers, one of whom was the Waqai'-navis or Recorder of Events (Akbar-nāmah, Bev tr, 111 413, also 559) Jahangir continued the system As he writes. "It had been made a rule that the events of the subahs should be reported according to the boundaries of each, and news-writers from the Court had been appointed for this duty. This being the rule that my revered father had laid down, I also observe it, information is thus acquired about the world and its inhabitants" (Tuzuk, Roger's tr 1 247, see also Bahāristān-i-Ghayibi, Borah's tr 1 209) But the system of appointing secret news-writers to the provinces was really borrowed by the Indian Mughals from the 'Abbäsid Khālifs who had borrowed it from the ancient Irānian empire The different classes of these news-reporters and their method of work are fully described in my book, Mughal Administration, ch IV sec 6

When this State intelligence-department was fully developed with the expansion of the Mughal Empire under Shah Jahān and Aurangzib, (1627-1707), a huge collection of reports, written on small slips of paper and transmitted to the capital in bamboo cylinders (nalo) at regular weekly or fortnightly intervals,—came to

be formed in the archives at the capital Besides these there were the åkhbārāt i-darbār i mu ala or reports of everything that was done or said in public at the Court or camp where the Emperor was present in person. These were written daily—sometimes twice a day when (as usual) there were morning levees and evening Courts held by His Majesty Such akhbārāts or manuscript news-letters were sent to the vassal princes provincial governors and generals out on campaign by their paid agents at the imperial Court and differed only in their place of origin from the letters coming in a contrary direction namely the letters of the Government spies in the mufassil which supplemented the more open reports of the official xaqār maris

On this accumulated mass of accurate detailed and absolutely contemporary records of occurrences some Persian author known for his mastery of pohshed courtierly prose was selected by the Emperor to work and write the Nimah or official annals of his reign. The book was read to the Emperor and corrected under the royal direction before being passed for publication—the term publication here meant the release of the book for being copied for presentation to the princes and high nobles. The Emperor after one or two trial hearings delegated the work of revision to his wagur.

These official annals in addition to being full of nauseating fittery of the author is patron and his sacred offspring were extremely verbose for example the record of the first 20 years of Shah Jahan's reign occupies 1662 printed pages of 22 lines each (or 83 I pages for a single year on the average) the history of the first decade of Aurangaib's reign covers 1107 pages of the same size (or 1107 pages for one year). But their details and dates of incidents are valuable though I have detected instances where the Nāmah has given a wrong date owing to the carelessness of the historian's clerks in making extracts from the waqi's in the imperial record office for being worked into his history. However the survival of the \$\hat{a}khb\hat{a}tat\$ for that particular day has enabled me to correct the wrong date entered in the N\hat{a}mah

It must also be conceded that the author's flattery of the Emperor though fulsome and offensive to modern taste is more a defect of manner than one of fact. In these official histories, no fact has been really falsified though credit is often given to the Emperor where he did not deserve it. We shall have more patience with the courtly author and derive greater profit from his book if we remember that he is only following the facon do parler prevalent in Asiatic courts. And why Asiatic only? The Stuart king of Ringland was styled. His Gracious and Sacred Majesty and Napoleon's Monitours were not models of factual veracity. Thus with a Nameh in our hands we get the true basis for a narrative of the events of that monarch's reign and can then form our own indigment of the characters and political forces. Their chief defect—and one which disqualifies them from being called histories in the modern sense of the term is their absolute silence about the economic and social aspects of the times and what is known as the condition of the people

The history of the first ten years of Aurangzib's reign was written, under his orders, in the form of a full-sized Nāmah, by Mırzā Muhammad Kāzım, under the title of 'Alamgır-nāmah (Printed in the Bibliotheca Indica series by the RAS Bengal) But after the author had completed the first decade, the Emperor forbade him to continue it any further The reason for this prohibition is given by Sāqi Musta'd Khan as, "Because this monarch of the external and internal universe preferred laying the foundations of things esoteric to displaying things external", (p 68 of the printed Persian text) What really happened was that when (about 1670) the history of the tenth year was completed by Kāzim, Aurangzib curtailed his State expenditure and closed the costly department of prolix official annals There is no authority for the popular legend that he forbade the writing of his history by any one else as a crime or that Khāfi Khan's history is so entitled because it was written in secret (khufia) in fear of any such royal prohibition. The word Khāfi has nothing to do with khufia, it really means 'a native of Khwāf',—a district of Khurāsān situated between Nishābur (Encyclopaedia of Islam, 11 866)

Aurangzib's finances did not improve when the second decade of his reign ended in 1678. He now found himself too much involved with the tribes on the Afghan frontier and was soon afterwards too hard pressed by the Rajputs and the Marathas, to allow him to spend any thought or money on such non-utilitarian purposes as the compilation of a florid and verbose chronicle of his reign. And his circumstances did not improve up to the end of his life. Thus it happened that no *complete* history of his reign came to be officially composed while he lived

After his death (in 1707), his last secretary and favourite disciple in State policy and religiosity, I'nāyetullah Khan Kashmiri, urged Sāqi Musta'd Khan to complete the history of such a model sovereign. In order to help him in this work, the State archives were thrown open to him and he made extracts of the necessary materials to be used in his book, which was completed in 1710 and entitled Maāsir-i-'Alamgiri. For the career of 'Ināyetullah, see Irvine's Later Mughals, 1 259 and 333, he rose to be Wazir under Muhammad Shah and was keen on reimposing the jazia on the Hindus, (Ibid 1 103-105)

Of our author Muhammad Sāqi Musta'd Khan's life, we know a few facts only, all supplied by him either in his own History of Aurangzib or in his preface to his patron Bakhtāwar Khan's book the Mirāt-ul-'Alam He was brought up by Bakhtāwar Khan (a favourite officer of Aurangzib, whose character is noted in the Maāsir, (p 253 of the printed text) In this Khan's establishment our author filled the offices of munshi and diwān He assisted his patron, during the last seventeen years of his life, in the composition of the Mirāt-ul-'Ālam, which Aurangzib authorised him after Bakhtāwar's death, to make public He then passed into the imperial service with a mansab He held under this Emperor in succession the posts of mushrif of the jā-namāz-khānah, waqāi'navis

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A gentleman of Paina City named Habi Ram Bahadur (alias Chhotu Lal) has a Terdan me named lanka i Wallab, which contains letters written by Skyl Musta d khan to his contemporaries but it lacks pp. 9-48 and the caper is eld and brittle

The Makili i Hangili has been written in a very much abridged form compared with the Monake; on an average it gives 11 pages to one year of the armetrian in the Alampusalmah. But the loss is really one of the flowers of phetoric rather than of facts. Consequently in many places it reads like a dry lit of official portings and promotions as in our Convenient Carettee. But its other portions give valuable wenterlines interesting information especially the few that embody the author e personal observations and reflections on events or character-electeds.

In this tran lation the text has been slightly condensed. Not a smale fact or date has been omitted by me but the probax wording of some sentences has been replaced by a plain recital of their substance and many trite reflections and moralisations (which are conventional in Persian hi totical literature at the beginning of a chapter or section) have been omitted altogether also verses and long laudatory phrases. But every significant epithet has been preserved. I have inserted the page numbers of the Persian original in the body of my tran lation so that any curious reader can easily satisfy himself that this is a complete reproduction in Lagishs of the listorical matter of the original text. All the Hijera dates have been converted to the Clinston era according to Swami Kannu Pulla's Indian Ephemeris

This translation was made by me many years ago for my own use and it was laid aside when my History of Augustus in 5 volumes was completed. On the Royal Asiatic bociety of Bengal agreeing to print it and thus fill a long standing gap of 51 years in the authentic sources of Mughal Indian history available in linglish my translation was compared word for word with the original revised and in several places expanded by the addition of phrases and sentences from the original which had been omitted in my rather too utilitarian first version. Every word of the Persian text which I now consider to be significant and necessary for bringing out the author's tone and spirit has been restored.

In this work of revision I have been very greatly helped by Professor \(`\text{Mrod}\) Blusan Roy M.A \(`\text{Mrom}\) the Society has appointed to assist me in preparing the copy and seeing this (and several other books planned by the Society) through the press. He has gone through my translation with meticulous care and persistently drawn my attention to every point where he thought it better to modify my former wording or amplify a passage in order to make it correspond more closely to the original author's intentions. After discussion I have in most cases accepted his view and made the change. After the press-copy had been thus prepared and a portion actually set in type I was supplied through the courtesy of Khan Sahib Sayyid.

Hasan Askari, M.A. (Professor, Patna College), with an old manuscript of the Persian original, transcribed about 1750, from the Waqf Library of Diwān Nasir Ali (in Khujwān, Arrah district), which furnishes a much more correct text than the printed Bibliotheca Indica edition and fills up certain serious gaps in the latter not noticed when the text was printed. My Finglish translation has been revised a second time by collating it with this newly found manuscript under Professor N. B. Roy's care, and a great improvement effected. Most of the emendations I have made in the printed Persian text from this manuscript and other authentic sources, are indicated by inserting in the body of the book the word Cor within brackets, without burdening the pages with a footnote on every variant reading Many other obvious errors of the printed text also have been silently corrected. For this enhancement of the usefulness of the translation, the reader's gratitude is due to Professor Roy.

Owing to the present difficulty of printing, the translation has been printed with a bare minimum of the most necessary discritical marks, namely \(\tilde{a}\), \(\tilde{c}\), and the apostrophe for 'am. But it has been considered unnecessity to insert these marks in the case of words which occur most frequently, or continue the system to the end of the book after following the rules for several pages. Nor have I been able to maintain uniformity in the spelling of proper names throughout such a long book fuil of such names. This is particularly the case with regard to the final h

The claborate index has been prepared by Professor Nirod Bhusin Roy and ought to prove very helpful to the reader by reason of its accumulation of information and methodical arrangement. The glossary of obscure words has been added by me

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Midqubl grait-Mandan ayii bad [Ms reads asi] mausil dar shan i-dn barguzidah-i-ruzgar. The word manzil means a halting-place in a journey or the point at which the reading of a section of the grait as the printed text mean that Shah Alam at first trained himself by daly chanting only one verse a day and after he had memorized the whole he used to recite whole sections?

For Sakkhar read Sagar on pp 207 208 218 220 and 294

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CHAPTER I

WAR OF SUCCESSION BEGINS

[2] On the 6th Sept 1657/7th Zil H; 1067 A H the Emperor Shāh Jahān, who will henceforth be designated 'Ala Haziat,—fell ill at Delhi, [3] and had to give up the work of government His eldest son, Dārā Shukoh, seizing the opportunity, closed the roads of the airival of news from the provinces, and this led to great disorder in the Empire, (so that) Murad Bakhsh, the fourth son of the Emperor, and Subahdar of Gujrat, crowned himself (there), and Shah Shui'ā, the Emperor's second son, did the same thing in Bengal, and advanced with his army on Patna Shukoh, in his fear of Aurangzib's power, (had) tried to alienate Shāh Jahān's mind from him, and by means of various lies induced him to recall to Court the army previously sent to reinforce Aurangzib And with the design that in the Emperor's lifetime and under his protection he would get rid of Shuj'ā and Murād Bakhsh and then with peace of mind turn to the affairs of the Deccan and the removal of Aurangzib, Dārā conveyed the Emperor to Agra when his disease was at its worst sent Raja Jai Singh with imperial and his own troops under the command of his eldest son Sulaiman Shukoh against Shuj'ā. At the same time Raja Jaswant Singh, who being related to Shāh Jahān's mother, was greatly trusted and given the title of Mahārāja, and was one of the chief Rajas of Hindustan, was sent with a large army towards Mālwa on the way to the Deccan, in order to bar the road A separate force under Qasım Khan was appointed to accompany the Maharaja to Ujjain, and, [4] if found politic, to start against Murād Bakhsh Through Dārā Shukoh's magic arts the Emperor's mind

^{*}The figures within square brackets indicate the page-numbers of the Persian text as printed in the Bibliotheca Indica Series, edited by Aghā Alimad 'Ali, Calcutta, 1871 AD All words within square brackets have been added by the translator, Sir Jadunath Sarkar, who has silently corrected the misprints in the text, especially about proper names.

was somewhat estranged from Aurangab He ordered 'Isa Beg Aurangzib's agent (at Court) to be imprisoned for no offence, and confiscated his property, but after a time realising the shamefulness of this act released him Among the villamous ways of Diri Shukoh-what became the chief cause of Aurangzib's wrath was the inclination of his heart to the principles (or practices) of the-Hindus and the spreading of disregard of Islamic religious-prolubitions (Ibahat and Ilhad) Therefore considering it necessary to defend the faith and the State Aurangaib determined to go to Shih Jahan and to carry (with himself) Murad Bakhsh who after doing some foolish acts, had at this time sub missively begged the pitronage of Aurangzib As it was probable that Jaswant Singh and Qasim Khan would fight Aurangaib prudently collected the means of war, and on Monday, the 25th January 1058/1st Jamad A , 1068 A H started from Aurangabad towards Burhanpur, where he arrived on Thursday, the 18th February /25th Jamad A and whence he sent a letter to Shah Jahin (begging per mission) to visit him in his illness. No reply came in one month, but alarming news continued to arrive Jaswant, at the instigation of Dara Shukoh, displayed aggression On the 20th March/25th Jamad S Aurangzib started for Agra, and on Wednesday the 14th April/21st Rajab when marching from Dipalpur [5] he met on the way Murad Bakhsh, who had come from Ahmadabad to see him Aurangzib halted at Dharmatpur (situated 7 kos from Uniain) one Los off from which village Jaswant Singh and Qisim Khan had encamped for the purpose of fighting The enemy stepped beyond their limits and prepared for fight On Thursday, the 15th April 1658/22nd Rajab Aurangzib marshalled his army in battle order, and beat his drums for battle Jaswant too drew up his troops and rode (out) to fight and the two armies clashed together Though the Hindus were very numerous they were slaughtered, and at last Jaswant took to flight with a small party towards his 'home Marwar

[6] Qāsim Khan and other imperial soldiers considered it fortunate to fly with their lives from such destruction Aurangzib gained the victory and captured all the property of the enemy At the Prince's order nearly six thousand

dead bodies of the enemy were counted

On Sunday the 23rd May 1658/1st Ramzan Aurangab crossed the Chambal and heard that Dārā

Shukoh had advanced from Dholpur On Friday, the 28th May/6th Ramzan, he arrived near the army of Dārā and halted at a distance of 11/2 kos. Dārā on horseback advanced that day a little in front of his camp, but not daring to step further in his fear of Amangzib, he tormented his soldiers, who were all fully armed, by keeping them all the day in the burning wind. Vast numbers perished of excessive hunger and thust. At the end of the day he retired to his place. The following day, Aurangzib ordered his aimy to advance towards Agia. That morning, the 29th May 1658/7th Ramzan, Darā diew up his aimy on the ground he had taken up the day before and advanced against the army of Amangzib A violent battle followed, it began with the roar of guns and muskets on both sides, and the fire of slaughter blazed forth Rustam Khan, Rao Chhatra Sal, Raja Rai Singh Rathor and other chiefs of Dara's army were slam, and although [7] he still had a (large) body of troops with himself, his firmness was shaken, he descended from his elephant and mounted his horse. At this untimely move on his part his soldiers were disturbed in mind and took to flight. The breeze of victory blew on Aurangzib's banners One of the wonderful signs of Aurangzib's fortune was this, that, while so many commanders of Dārā Shukoh were slain that the like was not seen in any other battle,—not to speak of his losses in common soldiers—not one of the leaders of the victorious army perished except 'Azam Khan alias Multafat Khan, who died after the victory from the violence of the (hot) wind

Dārā after his flight arined at his house in Agra in the evening with his son and a few servants, and after staying for three prahars (quarters) of the night took the road to Delhi Aurangzib, after rendering thanks to the Giver of Victory, reached the enemy's camp, and stayed in the tent of Dārā Shukoh, which was standing. Next day the army marched to Samugarh. This day he sent a humble letter of apology to Shāh Jahān, excusing himself for the occurrence of the battle. On Tuesday the 1st June/10th Ramzan, he reached the garden of Nurmanzil situated in Agra. Shāh Jahān sent a reply to the letter, and on the day following presented to him a sword [8] named Alamgii. The high grandees and other imperial officers came in troops to the Court of Aurangzib in hope (of his patronage) and each received favours suited to his rank. On Friday, the 11th

June/20th Ramzan he entered the city and occupied Darā Slukoh's place On the 12th June/21st Ramzan he learnt that Dīrā Shukoh had arrived at Delhi on the 5th June/14th Ramzan Although Aurangzib's aim was to see Shāh Jahān, yet Dīrā had by secret letters filled the Emperor's mind with distrust of Aurangzib Therefore he give up his design and on Sunday the 13th June/22nd Ramzan started for Delhi On Tuesday, the 15th June/24th Ramzan, he received at Ghātsāmi the news of Darā s flight from Delhi On the 21st June/80th Ramzan Bahadur Khan was appointed to pursue Dīrā As Murād Bakhsh was violently preparing for rebelhon and was waiting for an opportunity to carry out his futile plans Aurangzib made him a prisoner at Mathurā, on Wednesday the 23rd June/2nd Shawwal and thus freed the people from mischief and tumult the captive was sent to the fort of Delhi under Shaikh Mir On learning that Darā Shukoh had started for Lahore, Aurangzib decided to set out for the Panjāb

FIRST CORONATION

As astrologers indicated Wednesday the 21st July/1st Zil Q as an auspicious day for the accession [9] and no time was left to go to Delhi and make preparations for the ceremony Auringzib stayed for a few hours in the garden of Aghrābād [=Shālamār], and sat on the throne at the above mentioned auspicious time. The presents which were made to the Princes, the high grandees the mansabdārs and other officers are beyond numbering. 'Abdur Rashid Tatawi found the date of accession in the Quranic text Attiticallah. &c.

PURSUIT OF DARA

As this coronation ceremony was decided to be short many of the rites of accession were put off to the second (year's) ceremony e.g., reading the khutba stamping coins, and settling the Emperor's title were not carried out on this occasion but kept in abeyance

Before the accession, an army was sent under Khalil ullah Khan to join Bahādur Khan, reach the Satlej, and arrange for crossing that river Sulaiman Shukoh had hastened towards Hardwar from the other side of the Ganges river intending to join his father

by the road of Sahāranpur Aurangzīb appointed Amīrulumārā alias Shāista Khan and Shaikh Mir and other chiefs to engage in the expedition against him On Thursday, the 22nd July/2nd Zīl Q, [10] he ordered his tents to be pitched outside, for the march to the Panjāb On Wednesday, the 4th August/15th Zīl Q, a letter was received from Bahādur Khan announcing the crossing of the Satlej by the imperial army and the flight of Dara's men At this time Sulaimān Shukoh fled into the hills of Kashmir and so the Emperor ordered the force sent against him to return

Dārā after reaching Lahore collected nearly 20,000 troopers, and on hearing the news of Bahādur Khan and Khalillullah Khan's crossing the Satlej, he posted a large force under Dāud Khan on the Biās river to bar their way, and sent Sipihr Shukoh after him Thereupon the Emperor wisely ordered Raja Jai Singh and a few other chiefs to join the first detachment Dārā learning of it found that he could not resist, and started from Lahore towards Multān At this time Maharaja Jaswant Singh came from his country and rubbed his forehead in humility and shame at the threshold of the Court The Emperor graciously pardoned his faults, showed him imperial favours and sent him to Delhi

On Sunday, the 12th Sept /24th Zil H, the Emperor came to know from Khalılullah Khan and other nobles at Haibatpuri Pati that Dārā Shukoh had come out of Lahore with adequate equipment and was intending to fight the imperial forces, and that on seeing this the imperial officers had slackened their pursuit Thereupon, the Emperor sent Prince 'Azam from this station, with the unnecessary soldiers and baggage [11] to Lahore, while he himself decided to make a forced march - When he learnt that Dārā Shukoh, without standing firmly even in Multan, had started for Bhakkar and that many of his followers had left him, and the causes of his trouble were on the increase, the Emperor gave up his forced march and travelled by easy stages to Multan, without halting anywhere Although Saf Shikan Khan had left Multan on Wednesday, the 22nd Sept /4th Muharram, in pursuit of Dārā, yet for greater caution Shaikh Mir too was sent with 9,000 troopers on the same errand. At this time the Emperor heard that his brother Shāh Shuj'ā to whom he had been strongly attached before his accession, had come out of Bengal with hostile intentions

Hence Aurangaib set out from Multan on Thursday the 20th Sept /12th Multitram and arrived_in Dellii fort on Saturday the 20th Nov /1th Rabi A News of Shujfa's disturbance came in succession. The I imperor had intended to overlook (Shuj a s conduct) as far as possible but when Shuj a audactously advanced to the frontier of Benarcs, he determined to fight. The I imperor had no help but to order Prince Multiminial Sultan to march out of Agra in that direction on Saturday the 4th Dec /18th Rabi A As it was repeatedly learnt that Shuh Shuj'a wished to advance beyond the limits of Benares the I'imperor considered it politic to go to the hunting lodge of Soron and wait for the news about Shuj a so that if he returned towards Patna the I imperor would recall his depicted troops otherwise he would fully engage in the expedition against him [12]

fully engage in the expedition against him [12]. Therefore on Thursday the 2nd Dec 1658/16th Rabi A he left Delhi. On the 6th/20th Rabi A news came that the deputed troops had reached Ftawah on the 6th. The I imperor advanced hunting and reached Soron on Sunday 19th Dec /3rd Rabi. S. As his design was to make a peaceful end to the affair of Shuj. I he sent him a letter full of 600d counsels to learn the details of his intentions. But when he learnt for certain that gentleness and merey would be thrown away on him he set out from Soron on Tuesday the 21st Dec /5th Rabi. S. to put him down Order was sent to Muhammad Sultan and the detachment not to force an encounter but wait for junction with the Emperor

On Sunday the 2nd January, 1659/17th Rab. S, the imperial tents were pitched outside the village of Korra where Prince Muhammad Sultan was staying with the advanced detachment and four kas from which Shuj'a was waiting. Mu azzam khan who had been summoned by command from khandesh, arrived in the imperial comp on

this day

BATTLE WITH SHAH SHUJ'A AT KHAJWA

Shuj'ā planting his artillery in front, wished to marshal his ranks in battle array. On Tuesday the 4th January/19th Rabi S, the third day following the Emperor's arrival at Korra it was ordered that the artillery should not be carried in front but made to fire opposite the army of Shuj'ā and the imperial army should bravely engage in battle [13] At the imperial order, waves upon

waves of troops rushed forward, while nearly 90,000 horsemen prepared themselves for action—It was ordered that the Emperor's camp and tents should remain where they were

That day Shuj'ā, too was engaged in marshalling his troops. After four ghais of the day had passed, the Emperor traversed the distance separating (his camp) from Shuj'ā's, and when three prahais had passed he drew up his ranks a mile from Shuj'ā's army Shuj'ā without advancing, sent some pieces of cannon in front and there was a hot fight till nightfall, when Shuj'ā withdrew his artillery. After taking steps for precaution and watchfulness, strengthening the entrenchments, and urging his troops to be on the alert, the Emperor retired to a small pavilion, pitched on the battle-field

Towards the end of that night an event happened which short-sighted men regarded as a catastrophe, and which caused a dispersion in the imperial army It was as follows The wicked Maharaja-Jaswant Singh, who outwardly professed obedience but at heart sought for some occasion for mischief, at the very time when the Emperor had given him the command of the right wing, planned to take to flight and informed Shui'ā of his design. At the end of the night, he turned back with all his own troops and another body of Rajputs, and first plundered the camp of Muhammad Sultan which was in his way, great oppression [14] was committed on the camp, alarming news spread, mischievous people laid hands on the imperial effects and the property of the nobles and soldiers When the Emperor heard of it, he did not stir from his place. Although nearly half of his army had dispersed, yet the Emperor relying on Providence did not pay any heed to his smallness of number, but set out for the battle-field This day Shuj'ā changed the formation he had adopted the day before, and drew up his troops in another manner

The firing of rockets, guns and muskets began between the two sides. This day many serious reverses befell the imperial army, the Emperor had not more than 2,000 cavalry round himself, yet in whatever side he turned his face or made a firm stand, the damage was repaired. And at the sight of his intrepidity and valour, his Bahrām-like soldiers by their heroic exertions made such a terrible destruction of their enemy that Shuj'ā's ranks were broken. He fled from the field, and the imperialists gained this

nonderful victory solely through the aid of Heaven and not

through their own efforts [15]

The Emperor thanked the Giver of Victories, and, passing with his army through the camp of Shuy'ā which was near the tank of Khajwa, lalted That very day he sent Prince Muhammad Sultān from the place in pursuit of Shuy'ā, and humself stayed there till Tuesday, 11th January /26th Rabi S On Wednesday, the 12th he marched from the environs of Khajwa and on Friday the 14th/20th Rabi S, he came to the river Ganges At that stage Mu'azzam Khan and other great nobles were deputed to join Prince Muhammad Sultān in pursuing Shuy'ā

PURSUIT OF DARA SHUKOH CONTINUED

I shall now write about the army detached under Shaikh Mir and Saf Shikan Khan to pursue Dārā On Wednesday the 22nd Sept /4th Muharram Saf Shikan Khan hastened from Multān in pursuit of Dārā, crossed the Biās river and heard that Dārā had gone further on The Khan, therefore advanced and after a few days' halt in expectation of Shaikh Mir and Dilir Khan was joined by their army News came that Dārā had crossed the river at Bhakkar and halted at Sakkar The imperial officers thought it best that Shaikh Mir and Dilir Khan should cross the river with their soldiers and march along the other bank towards Sakkar while Saf Shikan with his troops should hasten along this side towards Bhakkar so that the enemy might be crushed between the two sides

Next day according to the plan Saf Shikan Khan [16] parted from Shaikh Mir and started for Bhakkar Shaikh Mir crossed the river in two days and arrived within 12 kos of Sakkar on Saturday, the 23rd Oct /5th Safar, his army reaching Sakkar on the 24th Three days before this Saf Shikan Khan had arrived at Bhakkar but had marched away the day before Shaikh Mir sarrival It was found that Dārā had gone forward on the 18th Oct /30th Muharram leaving his heavy baggage in the fort of Bhakkar, the rest of his treasures and property were in boats while he himself was travelling through the jungles Dāud Khan and other leaders among his followers having deserted him (Darā) wanted to go from Sakkar towards Qandāhār but at the desertion of his followers and the refusal of his women he had started for Tatta Saf Shikan Khan left Aghar Khan

with a force at Bhakkar to press the siege hard and himself went towards Siwistān. A letter of Muhammad Sālili Tarkhān, qıladar of the place, now reached him saying that Dārā had come within 5 kos of the foit, and that Saf Shikan Khan should come up quickly and bar the path of his treasure boats. The Khan sent his relation Muhammad Ma'sum in advance with a force, to pass beyond Dārā's boats and entiench on the bank of the river He himself marched at night, passed 3 kos from the front of Dārā's army, waited for the enemy's boats, and wished to cross the river and attack the enemy As Dārā's boats advanced and opposed the arrival of the boats accompanying Saf Shikan, he sent a message to Muhammad Sālih to send boats from that side and also oppose Dārā As Muhammad Sālih was not divinely guided to carry out this order, he sent to say that on this side the water ([17] was waist-deep, and so the boats would pass by the other side; therefore Saf Shikan Khan did not cross over. Next day it became evident from the dust-cloud on the other side that Dara was marching and removing his boats by that side Thus a splendid victory was frustrated through the duplicity of Muhammad Salih

In short, Dārā crossed the low hill of Siwistān, and Saf Shikan Khan marched two stages in pursuit of him on that very side of the river Shaikh Mil arriving on the other bank sent a message saying that it was better that Saf Shikan Khan should cross the river and come over to his side, so that the two might carry on the pursuit together Therefore Saf Shikan Klian crossed the river, and learnt that Dara had reached Tatta and intended to go to Gujrāt Shikan Khan hastening before Shaikh Mir came within one kos of the river at Tatta, but Dārā marched away towards Gujrāt from the other bank of the river. Saf Shikan Khan crossed the river, by building a biidge in seven days

Meantime an order was sent to Shaikh Mir, Dilir Khan, and Saf Shikan Khan to give up the pursuit and return to the Emperor When the Emperor heard of Dara's going to Gujrāt, he returned from Allahabad. On Saturday, the 15th January, 1659/1st Januad A, while encamped on the bank of the Ganges he leaint from Muhammad Sultan's despatches of the capture of Allahabad was necessary to punish Jaswant Singh, who wanted to join Dārā, he sent Muhammad Amın Khan, Mır Bakhshı, with 9,000 cavalry from Ghātampur on the 16th January/2nd

Jamad A, to destroy him

As the Emperor wished [18] to march without delay for the punishment of Jaswant Singh and the suppression of Dāra, he did not go to Agra but on Friday, the 4th February /21st Jamad A, started from the garden of Nur Manzil towards Ajmir On the 8th/25th Jamad A, when he marched out of the hunting lodge of Rupbās, Shaikh Mir and Dilir Khan, having returned from the pursuit of Dara, joined the Emperor

As the return of the army was the cause of Dārā's enjoying repose, he stepped into the wilderness and reached Cutch and thence Gujrāt Shāh Nawāz Khan Safavi, the father of the late imperial consort Dilras Bānu Begam, who had been appointed by the Emperor Subahdār of this province joined Dārā out of lack of spirit Dārā after passing one month and seven days in Gujrat, gathered together 22,000 cavalry issued from it on Monday, the 14th February/1st Jamad S and receiving on the way Jaswant Singh's letters inviting him to go to Ajmir was emboldened to advance On Sunday, the 20th February/7th Jamad S the Emperor encamped near Hindáun, and no halt was made from here to the village of Tuda On Monday the 28th February/15th Jamad S Amir Khan, brother of Shaikh Mir, who had by order, taken Murād Bakhsh from Delhi fort to Gwalior, joined the Emperor

SECOND BATTLE WITH DARA AND HIS FLIGHT

Dārā Shukoh after reaching Ajmir got ready for battle On Wednesday the 9th March/24th Jamad S the Emperor encamped 6 kos from the tank of Rāmeshwar [19] and there ordered the marshalling of his army for battle Dārā strengthened by the hope of the arrival of Jaswant Singh, acted boldly Just then Raja Jai Singh taking pity on the sinful Jaswant Singh and getting his offences pardoned through the Emperor s graciousness wrote him a letter giving him the glad news of his being pardoned and dissuading him from his wish to join Dārā When he got it, he turned back from a distance of 20 kos from Jodhpur Dara urged him to come and sent his son Sipihr Shukoh to him but to no effect Meantime the imperial army had arrived near Ajmir, Dārā was therefore, compelled to set his heart on battle but as he was not strong enough to fight an open battle with the imperial army he entrenched the hill pass of Ajmir across its breadth

impenal army stayed at Deorān, 3 kos from Ajmir, which was at a short distance from Dārā's station

Next day, the imperial army advanced half a kos and halted. The Emperor ordered his aitillery to be carried forward to play upon the enemy. The enemy returned the fire with cannon and musket.

That day and night and up to the 3rd prahar (quarter) of the next day, the flame of battle raged between the two sides Shāh Nawāz Khan Safavi, Muhammad Sharif, [20] Mir Bakhshi of Dārā Shukoh, and other leaders of his army were slain. Among the imperialists, Shaikh Mir fell shot through the chest with a musket-ball. But Mir Hāshim, a fellow-clausman of Shaikh Mir, who sat behind him on the howdah of his elephant, very carefully propped him up in his arms, so that none knew of his death till the end of the battle. Dārā beholding the heroic exertions of the imperialists, took to flight inspite of his trenches being still intact, and turned towards Gujrāt. Such a crowning victory adorned the country and the people. The Emperor on hearing of it thanked God, the true Giver of Victories

It is well-known that few kings had to fight so many royal battles and lordly encounters in such a period, as this Emperor had to do with powerful enemies in a single year But through God's grace he achieved victory everywhere by dint of his strong arm and sharp sword But inspite of his great valour and activity, so great was his humility that he never ascribed these victories to his own powers, but always spoke of them as miracles wrought by God, and ever rendered his thanks to the Creator for this great good fortune by adoration of Allah, the establishment of the Holy Law of the Prophet, and the extinction of all traces of illegal and prohibited practices [21] Inspite of his splendour and power, not for a moment did he yield up his body to repose or slackness, but added a lustre to the throne by his constant vigilance, devotion to God, dispensation of justice, promotion of the public happiness, and attention to the condition of the peasantry and the soldiery and the rules of justice and equity I hope that the spiritual and material worlds may always be resplendent through the rule of this religious king

Next day, Monday, the 14th March 1659/29th Jamad S, he sent Raja Jai Singh and Bahādur Khan to pursue Dārā, and being free from anxiety on the score of

Dira, set out on Monday the 18th March/4th Rajab on return from Aunir

A despatch from Prince Muhammad Sultān brought the news that Shāh Shuy'a had halted for a few days in Mungir wishing to reside there for some time but through fear of the approach of the imperial army had fled towards Jahingiring it and Mu azzam Khan had entered the fort of Mungir On Thursday, the 7th April/24th Rajab, the Imperor reached I athpur and on Tuesday the 19th April/6th Shaban he started for Delhi. He learnt from Muhammad Sultān's despatches that Shah Shuyā who had gone to Raymahal before this, had removed his baggage to boats when the imperial army approached that city and Raymahal too, was occupied by the imperialists.

News crime that Dara after leaving Ajmir had gone to Gujrit [=Ahmadabad] and wished to seize it a second time but Sardar Khan one of the officers of the local rein forcements [22] opposed him, and Dārā, giving up the desire of capturing the city fled for refuge to Kanhji Kuh On Monday the 2nd May the Emperor reached the palace of Khiziribad. A halt of eleven days was made here and on Thursday the 12th May/20th Shaban he entered the Delhi fort.

CHAPTER II

SICOND CORONATION, MAY 1659

At the first anspicious coronation celebrations had been greatly curtailed on account of the expedition into the Panjab and also want of leisure, the reading of the khutba, the stamping of coins, and the proclamation of the Emperor's title had been postponed. Now that the work of conquest had been completed, he ordered his officers to make preputations for the coronation celebrations, and they did their best. On Sunday, 5th June 1659,21th Ramzan, when the Emperor was 40 years 7 months and 13 days (solar) or 41 years 10 months and 2 days (hunar) old, he sat on the throne.

an impressive khutbah, and he was rewarded to his heart's content. Such quantities of gold and silver comes were distributed in the name of the Emperor that the wide bag of hope was filled by picking them up. The courtiers bowed to do honour, and sang the praises of and prayed for the Emperor. The doors of imperial treasures were opened to all people, and the expectations of all, young and old, were fulfilled.

In former times the sacred Qurame credo (Kalma) used to be stamped on gold and silver coins, and such coins were constantly touched with the hands and feet of men, Amangab said that it would be better to stamp some other words on coins. At this time Mir 'Abdul Bāqi, surnamed Suhbāi, showed the following couplet of his own composition—

"King Aurangzib 'Ālamgir
Stamped coins, in the world, like the bright
full moon "

The Emperor liked it and ordered that one face of mohars and rupees should be stamped with this verse and the other with the name of the mint-city and the year of accession (in which they would be coined)

The Emperor's title on the grand seal was ordered to be engraved as Abul Zafar Muhi-ud-din Muhammad Aurangzib Bahādui 'Ālamgii Pādishāh Ghāzi It was

ordered that edicts should be issued announcing the accession and the happy news [24] of protection and happiness to all parts of the Empire The Emperor with openhanded liberality gave grand rewards to the princes, begams and imperial handmatds, every one of the nobles and faithful servants received promotion and title according to his runk, pions and religious men, poets, musicians and singers received suitable rewards and gifts

The Imperor ordered that these entertainments should continue on the same scale up to I'mday, the 19th August/10th 71l H, (the date of Id uz buha) and be joined to the latter so that during the whole period the desires of the people might be gratified and their long standing hopes realised Mulla Shah of Badakshan found the date of the accession in the chronogram-7ill-al Hag

Shadou of Truth

Another scholar found the date in Padishah i mulk i haft iglim and a third in Zeb i-aurang wa taj i padishahan Mulla Azızullalı, son of Mulla Taqı of Isfahan [25] found the chronogram in the words of God, Innal mulk lilla vutty ia man 3 ishshā

As the Emperor's (first) victories were gained in the month of Ramzan, he ordered that in official records the first day of this month should be counted as the commence

ment of every year of his reign

As the preceding sovereigns, following the practice of Jamshid and Naushirwan used to regard the first day of the month of Farwards as a day of great rejoicing and to celebrate it with festivity, this pious faith protecting Emperor ordered that in the place of the (Persian) new year's (nauroz) celebration, an imperial festivity should be held every year in the month of Ramzan and continued to the Id ul fitr (on the 1st Shawwal), and that this celebration should be called the nishāt-āfroz jashan

In order to put down forbidden practices and vices Mulla Auz Waith the chief of the learned men was appointed Censor, and instead of an annual stipend of 15,000 rupees he was given the mansab of a hazars (100 tr) Thank God that even now, owing to the piety of the Emperor the whole of Hindustan is free from the filth of

innovation and heresy

At this time the Emperor learnt from the news letter of Bengal that Prince Muhammad Sultan who had been deputed with Mu azzam Khan to crush Shuj'ā, had,

through the instigation of the latter, gone away on Wednesday the 8th June 1659/27th Ramzan with a few servants by boat with the intention of joining Shuj'ā and was showing hostility to the imperial cause.

FATE OF DĀRĀ SHUKOH

On Saturday the 2nd July/21st Shawwal, news came to Court of the capture of Dārā Shukoh with his son Sipihr Shukoh, on Friday the 10th June/29th Ramzan by Malik Jiwan, the zamındar of Dādar and [26] of the hastening of Bahādur Khan on receipt of the letter of the said Malik and his taking over charge of both the prisoners Amır-ul-umārā was appointed Subahdār of the Deccan vice Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam, 'Aqıdat Khan was made commandant of Daulatābād vice 'Āqıl Khan, who with Wazir Khan was ordered to come to Court in the company of the prince Saturday, the 2nd July, 1659/21st Shawwal, was the 6th (solar) birthday of prince Muhammad 'Azam' He was presented with a jewelled sarpech, a dagger with a pearl-set strap, and five horses Malik Jiwan was rewarded for Dārā's capture by a robe of honour being sent him, and the rank of a hazānı (200 tr) and the title of Bakhtiār Khan being conferred on him Qabil Khan Munshi wanted to retire to seclusion, he was given an annual stipend of 5,000 rupees Raja Rajrup was sent to the hills of Srinagar, to hold before Prithvipat, the zamındar of that place, hopes and fears and thus induce him to surrender Sulaimān Shukoh News came from Bengal that Shah Shuj'ā while going from Akbarnagar to Tanda had suspected from Alawardi Khan's actions a wish to desert him, and had therefore slain him and his son Saifullah At this time an order was issued to build a Shir Hāji wall around the fort of Agra, and in three years the work was completed under the supervision of 'Itibar Khan

On Tuesday, the 2nd August/23rd Zil Q, took place the ceremony of weighing the Emperor on his 42nd lunar birthday, gold of the Emperor's weight was distributed among the poor, and all men, far and near, were rendered happy by the granting of robes, promotion of rank, and the gift of jewels, horses, and elephants

[27] At this time Bahādur Khan brought Dāra Shukoh to the exalted Court He was kept in the palace of Khizirābād. As it was necessary for various reasons to

remove the dust of his life from the plain of the world of the living, on the night of Tuesday, the 30th August/21st Zil H, the lamp of his life was quenched, and he was buried in Humayun's tomb. Saif Khan was ordered to convey Sipihr Shukoh to the fort of Gwahior and then return to Agri and be its Subahdar Raja Jai Singh who had lagged behind Bahādur Khan arrived at Court and was honoured with favours. As owing to their many forced marches the Raja and Bahādur Khan had lost many horses, the Emperor graviously presented the Raja with 200 and the Khan with 100 horses.

At this time according to his usual generosity the collection of road toll (rāhdārī) on the transit of grains and other articles was abolished for ever. On this account the Crown lands made a sacrifice to the amount of 25 lakhs of rupees a year, and what was given up for the whole Empire

cannot be imagined

At this time Zulfiqār Khan Qarāmānlu died The Emperor graciously consoled his son Āsad Khan and his son in law Nimdar Khan by the grant of robes of honour Bakhtiār Khan zamindar of Dādar was sent back to his estate Mu azzam Khan during his service under Qutb-ul mulk had conquered the country of Karnātik one of its strong forts, Kanji Kota (Gandi Kota) [28] was held by the men of the Khan but Qutb ul mulk coveted it Mir Ahmad Khuāfi with the title of Mustafa Khan was sent to govern this country News came from the province of Kabul that Sherullah [= Sher Beg] son of Sādat Khan graudson of Tarbiyat Khan deceased had slain his fither with a dagger The Emperor ordered Mahābat Khan the nāzim to imprison lim and appointed Shamshir Khan as commandant of Kibul fort vice the murdered man

Now came from Turan land that love had changed into quarrel between Subhan Quli Khan ruler of Balkh, and his brother Qasim Sultan, who held command of the fort and that Subhan Quli Khan had got rid of him by clever

devices

The going over of Prince Muhammad Sultān to Shuj ā was a great calannty to the army in Bengal Though the Emperor felt reassured from Mu azzam Khan s commanding the army, yet after the celebration of the weighing ceremony at the commencement of the 41st solar year of his life—when the desires of the people were satiated with gifts—he set out as a measure of precaution with the army towards

the bank of the Ganges on Sunday, the 13th Nov /8th Rabi A Raja Jai Singh was rewarded with one lakh of rupees Raja Jaswant Singh was pardoned and restored to

the title of Maharaja

Mir Ibrāhim, son of the late Mir Numān, was deputed to convey articles worth 6 lakhs and 30,000 rupees to the Sharifs of Mecca and Medina On Thursday the 24th November/19th Rabi A, the Emperor reached Garhmukteshwar On Sunday the 27th/22nd Rabi. A, Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam with Wazir Khan having arrived from the Deccan, [29] had audience of the Emperor On Tuesday the 20th December/15th Rabi.S, the Prince was married to a high-born lady of Khurāsan On Saturday, the 7th January, 1660/4th Jamad A, the Emperor marched from Garhmukteshwar towards Allahabad At this time a despatch came from Mu'azzam Khan stating that he had crossed the Ganges, determined to end the war with Shuj'ā, while Shuj'ā had left Tānda which was his military base for Dacca As the real object of this march of the Emperor was to strengthen the army of Bengal, and as his mind was quieted about that affair, he returned from [Mau] Shamsābād towards Delhi, the fort of which he entered on Monday, the 13th February, 1660/11th Jamad S

As it was the pious Emperor's intention to offer obligatory prayers in congregation, by the side of his retiring place, he laid the foundation of a small mosque of marble with carvings of plants and fret-work of various kinds. It was completed in the space of 5 years at an expenditure of one lakh and 60,000 rupees 'Aqil Khan found the chronogram in the holy verse, Innāl-masājid-illa falā tad'uā-

ma'-allah

At this time news came from Bengal that prince Muhammad Sultān [30] at the time of Shuj'ā's flight to Dacca had repented of his conduct, come back to Akbarnagar in the same way that he had left it, and joined Islām Khan Muhammad Mirak, macebearer, carried to him a robe with rarities from the Emperor, and Fidāi Khan was ordered to bring the Prince to Court When he arrived near the capital, Alah Yār Khan went forward on Thursday, the 26th April, 1660/25th Shaban, and conveyed him by water to Salimgarh, his custody being given to Mu'atamad Khan.

CHAPTER III

TIMED LAR OF REIGN (1070 A H)

1st May, 1660-19th April, 1661

Now began the month of Ramzan On Thursday, the 24th May, 1660/24th Ramzan, 1070 A H a charming and grand assembly was held, and joyous music was played

On this auspicious day news came from Bengal that Shuj a, unable to make a stand at Dacca, had fled to Arakan, on Sunday, the 6th May/6th Ramzan and that Mu azzam

Khan had entered Dacca

It had been ordered that the celebrations should begin on the 24th Ramzan, the date of the 2nd accession, and be carried on to the 'Id ul fitr During this period all officers of the Court far and near great and small were [31] gritified with gifts by the Emperor On the morning of the 'Id day the Emperor went to the mosque, and for two days after the 'Id the festivities and banquets were continued

I shall now leave the account of the incidents of the Court, but this small book cannot hold even an abridged lustory of the occurrences of Bengal and the exertions of the imperial army, which had been deputed from Allahabad in January 1659 under the leadership of Prince Muhammad Sultan and Mu azzam Khan in pursuit of Shuj a There fore I give up the attempt to describe this affair in detail Suffice it to say that the march of the imperial army put Shuj a to such hard straits that none could hold with him save Sayyid Alam Bādah kash, one of the Sayyids of Barha, and Sayyid Quli Uzbak with twelve Mughals and a few other men After traversing calamitous regions he reached the most villatious island of Arākan where he was entrapped in the snare of that land of infidels. His fate will be narrated in the proper place.

On Sunday, the 15th July, 1660/17th Zil Q, the Emperor was weighed on his 44th lunar birthday. The people were rewarded. The princes received many kinds of favour. Mu'azzam Khan [32] the general in Bengal was given the high titles of Khān i Khānān and Sipahsalār and the rank of a 7 hazān (7 hazān doāspa and sehāspa) a robe and a jewelled sword were sent to him in reward of

his suppression of Shuj'ā. All kinds of reward and favour were bestowed on the commanders of the army sent to Bengal and on the vicerovs and courtiers

Najābat Khan who for some offences had incurred the imperial wrath, now got his pardon, came unarmed and was cherished with the gift of a sword. Mansur, brother of the Kāshghar chief 'Abdullah Khan and Mahdi, the brother's son of the Khan, who in fear of him had come to India by way of Badakhshān, had audience and entered the imperial service. Presents from the Begam Sāhib and other begams and princes, consisting of jewels and jewelled ware, were presented to the Emperor and accepted. At the joyous 'Id-uz-zuha/7th August 1660, royal gifts were bestowed on vast numbers of people.

Rao Karn Bhuitia [of Bikanir], at Dārā's instigation had come home from the Deccan without permission. Āmir Khan was now sent to that quarter to take the frightened and humiliated man with himself if he begged pardon, otherwise to boldly extirpate him. When the Khan reached the frontier of Bikanir, the Rao came and waited on him and through the Khan's intercession was introduced to the

forgiving Emperor and received gifts

On Sunday, 2nd September/7th Muharram [33], Ikhlas Khan Khweshgi, who brought the treasures, jewels, other effects and women of Shuj'ā from Bengal, had audience At this time the fort of Chākna situated in Konkan was conquered by the Amir-ul-umārā, viceroy of the Deccan, who had been sent out to put down the wicked Shivā and to capture his strong places, which he had seized owing to changes (decay) in the Bijapur administration and the slaughter of Āfzal, the Bijapuri leader The Khan after properly punishing Shivā's men, established outposts in some places

At this time took place the festivity of the weighing of the Emperor on his 43rd solar birthday and vast numbers

of men were gratified with favours

At this time Parenda was captured without a blow Ghālib, the 'Adil Shāhi commandant of the fort, proposed to the Āmir-ul-umārā the surrender of the fort, with a view to entering the imperial service. The Āmirulumārā sent Mukhtār Khan as qil'adār and summoned Ghālib to himself, and on behalf of the Emperor gave him the rank of 4 hazāri, the title of Khan and other rewards. At this time Prithvi Singh, zamindār of the Srinagar hills, wrote a letter to Raja

a turban jewel (jigha), a jewelled dagger, a festive ārgaja with a gold cup and saucer, and betels with a gold betel casket and tray, were presented to him. The mansion of Rustam Khan was assigned for his residence, and Mir 'Aziz Bidakhshi as his care taker. On Sunday the 26th May/7th Shrawal, the Shāh's presents were offered to the Emperor these included 66 horses, one round pearl weighing 37 carat and these were valued in all at four lakh and 22 000 rupees

On Saturday the 6th July, 1661/19th Zil Q, the Emperor was weighed on his 45th lunar birthday, in the customary way, all people, great and small at Court and in the provinces received presents. On Saturday, the 37th July/10th Zil, H, the 'Id uz zuha took place. The Emperor gave conge to the Persian envoy, with a reward of one lakh of rupees, robes an enamelled dagger, with a pearl strap, a horse with gold saddle and bridle, an elephant with gold litter and silver trappings, a gold-embroidered housing, one danā elephant, and a pālki with gold trappings. It was stated that a reply to the Shā s letter would be soon [37] sent. From first to last 5 lakhs of rupees were bestowed on the ambassador and 85 thousand rupees on his companions. Aqil Khan begged permission to go into retirement an annual subsistence of 9,000 rupees was settled on him.

The Emperor was weighed on his 44th solar birthday and conferred favours on all Qāsim Aqā, an officer of Husain Pāshā, was sent back with 12 000 rupees and a robe and his companions got 1 000 rupees, a jewelled sword was sent

for the Pāsha

On Sunday the 17th November/4th Rabi S Khwāja Ahmad son of Khwāja Khāwand Mahmud, envoy of 'Abdul Aziz Khan the ruler of Bukhārā, arrived in the environs of Delhi Saif Khan advancing conducted him to the Emperor He presented a letter and gifts consisting of roadster Turki horses large two-humped male and female camels and other things one of which being a ruby worth 24 000 rupees The Emperor graciously gave him that day a robe a dagger with a pearl strap, 20 000 rupees and a mansion to stay in

At this time the daughter of Raja Rup Singh who had been converted to Islam and brought up in the imperial harem was married to Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam. The details of this splendid ceremony can be learnt from the

honoured book ('Alamgirnamah) * * *

As Daud Khan the Subahdar of Patna, [38] had by hard fight conquered the country of Palamau a dependency

of the province of Bihār, a robe of honour was sent to him Sayyıd Amir Khan, was made Subahdar of Kabul vice Mahābat Khan

On Monday, the 10th February/Ist Rajab, Fāzil Khan came from Agra and presented some jewels and jewelled ware sent by Shāh Jahān. On the 11th news came that Khahilullah Khan, Subahdār of Lahore, who had arrived sick at Delhi, had died. The second day from his death, the Emperor visited the house of his surviving relatives, and favoured Mir Khan, Ruhullah Khan, and 'Azizullah, his sons and other relatives with robes. An annual stipend of 50,000 rupees was granted to his widow, Hamida Banu, daughter of Malika Banu, the sister of Mumtāz-uz-zamāni.

On Saturday, the 15th February, 1662/6th Rajab, Prince Muhammad Ākbar was circumcised. Khwāja Āhmad, envoy of Bukhara, was given his congo with a robe, a jewelled dagger with pearl strap, and 30,000 rupees as reward. From first to last one lakh and 20,000 rupees were given to this envoy. On Wednesday, the 12th March/1st Shaban, eighty elephants of Shuj'ā, sent by the Khān-i-Khānān and two elephants from the spoils of Palāmau were presented to the Emperor.

How can I describe fully the hunting in which His Majesty often delighted? I give a little as a sample of much This year 150 kulangs (large cocks or herons) were struck down by the royal falcons. There was also a hunt, in which 355 deer were driven into the net, eight of these deer [39] were brought down by the Emperor and 47 others by the party that had been given permission to hunt in the enclosure into which the game had been driven. The rest were ordered to be released. The Emperor was informed that at first many deer had come within the circle of the gamurgha, but in fright they fell upon the beaters (āhel-i-qamurgha) in a large body, five men were gored with horns and two men were killed. About a thousand deer escaped

A entious incident was now reported to the Emperor, at the village of Sonepat a party of boys placed at kind and ministers, two of them were charged (in play) with their and taken by the policeman to the king, who ordered prins ament. This senseless (mock) policeman bit the two or the held with the stick he carried in his hand so made to it in a were killed, and this game proved fatal

ACCOUNT OF THE CONQUEST OF KUCH BIHAR AND ASSAM

Towards the end of the year 1657 A D /1067 A H. owing to the illness of Shah Jahan, disturbances broke out in all the frontiers, Blum [=Pran] Narain, zamindar of Kuch Bihār occupied the kāmrup district, appertaining to the imperial dominions Just then Jay adhwai Singh, Raja of Assam, who considered his country safe from the inroad of the imperial army and wanted to conquer the aforesaid district deputed a large arm, by the land route to the

district, [40] of Kamrup The Khin i Khanan, knowing the invasion of these two countries to be urgent started from Khizrpur by order of the Emperor on Friday the 1st November, 1661/18th Rabi A His army occupied the city of Kuch Bihar on Thursday, the 19th Dec /7th Jamad A, and named it 'Alamgir nagar On Thursday the 9th January, 1662/ 28th Jamad A, the army set out for the conquest of Assam by way of Ghoraghat After campaigning for five months, the Islamic standard was planted in Garligaon, the capital of Assam on Monday, the 17th March/6th Shaban cannot describe in detail what the Alamgirnamah gives fully, namely, the great designs of the faithful army, their exertions and hardships in this campaign through extreme devotion and fidelity to the Emperor the capture of count less spoils consisting of all kinds of things money and other articles, nor describe here the wonders rarities strange things, and precious objects of Kuch Bihar and Assam comprising the manimate and animate creation, the varieties of trees, fruits, and plants, plains and rivers food and dress, forts and houses of these countries

When the Emperor learnt the details of this famous victory from the despatches of the Khān i Khānān, he graciously gave the Khan's son Muhammad Amin Khan who was then at Court a robe and sent a farman full of praise, a special robe, tuman tugh and a reward of 1 kror of

dam (Rs 21/2 laklis) to the faithful Khan [41]

CHAPTER V

fifth year of the reign (1072 A H)

10th April 1662—29th March 1663

The month of Ramzān was spent in the performance of the appointed religious duties. The fifth year of the reign began. The imperial officers set about preparing for the festivities and fireworks in the manner of previous years. On the day of 'Id 10th May, the Emperor after retuining from the mosque conferred gifts and rewards on the courtiers, commanders in all places, and the āmirs in the subahs, tributes were offered to and accepted by him.

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On Monday the 12th May, 1662, the Emperor declined in health. Too much blood-letting caused weakness and swooning. This continued till Tuesday, the 17th June/10th Zil Q, when Hakim Muhammad Amin and Hakim Mahdi tried the best remedies. Alms were given for removing the disease and relieving the needs of the poor. On Tuesday, the 24th June/17th Zil Q, he took the bath of recovery. On Tuesday, the 17th July/10th Zil H, ('Id-uz-zuha) he went to the place of prayer, great and small, rich and poor on seeing him enjoyed a double 'Id. On Wednesday, the 23rd July/17th Zil H he was weighed on his 46th lunar birth-day.

Mahabat Khan was made subahdar of Gujrāt vice Maharaja Jaswant Singh, and promoted to be a 6 hazāii (5 hazāi tr) On his coming back from a life of retiiement, Razavi Khan Bukhāri was created a 2,500 zāt (400 tr) [42] The officers of 'Ādil Khan who had brought his tribute were dismissed with robes Taqarrab Khan died His son Muhammad 'Ali Khan, who too had been removed from his rank for his father's offences, was graciously presented with a mourning robe and the rank of 1,500 (200 tr) Saif Khan, who had retired, came from Sirhind and received a robe, and a sword, and the rank of two hazāii (1,500 tr).

On Tuesday, the 2nd December, 1662/1st Jamad A, the Emperor was weighed on his 45th solar birthday, all men received gifts according to their desires. Najābat Khan who had been punished for some offence in the first

vear was again created a 5 hazāri (4,000 tr.) On Monday the 8th December/7th Jamad A the Emperor started for Lahore At Karnāl Fāzil Khan, Mir i-Samān, was sent to proceed with the surplus camp-followers and baggage by the direct route to Lahore, while the Emperor advanced hunting in the direction of Mukhlispur, and reached Lahore on Sunday the 8th February 1663/10th Rajab As it was the imperial wish to visit Kashmur, he sent Khidmat gār Khan to make roads On Friday the 13th February/15th Rajab Quibuddin Khan Khweshgi faujdār of Junā garh slew the wicked Rāi Singh uncle of Chhatra Sāl, zamindar of the country of Jām, who had raised dis turbances and had dispossessed his nephew after the death of the latter s father Rāi Mal [=Ran Mal] with one son an uncle and other relatives, numbering in all 300 men [48] The Emperor ordered the country to be named Islam nagar, in recognition of the bravery of the Khan

THE CONCLUSION OF THE AFFAIRS OF ASSAM

When the Khan i Khanan took up his residence at Mathurapur for passing the rainy season and water covered the whole land the Assamese began to act boldly. As the Mughal troops could not ride out, the audacity of the Assamese passed all limits Their Raja too came down from the hills of Namrup The Mughal outposts were withdrawn no other place than Garhgaon and Mathurapur remained in the possession of the imperialists Provisions were exhausted The poisonous air caused a pestilence which carried off vast numbers Thus affected the whole land of Assım, and vast crowds of the enemy, too, in the hills went to hell During this period the food of the soldiers and the cattle was rice and beef, large quantities of which had been captured from the enemy There was no alternative but to wait patiently for the end of the rains In the middle [of the month of Safar/mid September] the rains decreased and boats of provisions too arrived at that time

By the end of Rabi ul awwal as the land reappeared the Mughals sallied forth on all sides and made a terrible slaughter of the enemy in the same way as before. The Raja fled to the hills and made overtures of peace, but the

Khan did not agree and started for Namrup

In the meantime many acute diseases attacked the Khan The soldiers, worn out with labour and sufferings, were shaken in mind by the fear of his dying in such a (terrible) country and wished [44] to desert him, and go back to Bengal The Khan on learning of it was grieved and on Friday the 5th December, 1662/4th Jamad A he advanced one stage Necessity now compelled him to decide on peace and return The Raja, who saw his own capture imminent, made Dilii Khan his mediator, and the latter induced the Khān-i-Khānān to agree to the Raja's proposal

On Monday the 5th January, 1663/5th Januar S., the agents of the Raja arrived, and brought to the imperial camp a tribute of 20,000 tolahs of gold, I lakh and 8 thousand tolahs of silver, 20 elephants for the Emperor, 15 for the Khān-i-Khānān, and 5 for Dilir Khan, as well as the daughter of the Raja, the daughter of another Raja of a part of the country of Assam (a near relative of the chief Raja), four sons of the nobles of the Raja's Court (who were to stay in Bengal as hostages for the arrival of the balance of the tribute, i c, what had been promised over and above what was now delivered)

On Saturday, the 10th January/10th Jamad S, the Khān-i-Khānān, marched from the mouth of the Nāmrup hill and returned towards Bengal, arriving at Lakhugarh on Thursday, the 22nd/22nd Jamad S, on Wednesday, the 11th February/13th Rajab he marched out of Kajli and arrived at Pāndu opposite Gauhati on the further side of the river, sending away Rashid Khan as faujdar of Kāmrup At this time his illness became past remedy. When he found himself in this plight, he deputed 'Askar Khan to reconquer Kuch Bihār, which Bhim [=Piān] Nārāyan had recovered, and himself started for Khizrpur On 31st March 1663/2nd Ramzan, he died within 2 kos of Khizrpur [45]

CHAPITR VI

SINTH VEAP OF THE REICY 1073 A II

10th March 1663-18th March 1664

On Thursday the 23rd April 1663/25th Ramzan the Court officers made preparations for the celebration of the coronation anniversary in the Dilkasha garden situated on the other bank of the Ray. The Emperor starting on that day for the trip to Kashmir halted in the garden That viry day the news of the khan i kh man's death arrived Prince Muhammad Mu azzam went to the house of Muhammad Amin khim and conducted him to the Emperor who consoled him with a robe. The Id prayer (29th April) was performed in the chapel of the camp. Princes and nobles

of the Court and the provinces, received favours

On Friday the 1st May /3rd Shawwal the Emperor resumed his journey One of the occurrences of this period was the night attack of the infernal Shiva on the camp of the Amir ul umary the cutting off of his forefinger during the encounter and the slaughter of his son Abul Fath Khan As this incident was due to the negligence of this premier noble the Emperor punished him by transferring him from the vicerovalty of the Deccan (which was given to prince Muhammad Mu azzam) to that of Bengal vice the deceased Tuesday, the 14th May /14th Mu 172am Khan On Showwal the Emperor reached Bhimbar which is the gate-As during his stay in Lahore the snow way to Kashmir in the Pir Panjal route had disappeared, the imperial party was to proceed by it It was ordered that Raja Jai Singh and Najibat Khan [46] should stay on the banks of the river Chenab with the surplus camp-followers Tahir Khan was permitted to depart to his jagir with some other amirs Saf Shikan was ordered to stay at the foot of the pass of Blumbar with a party in order to guard the mouth of the Some nobles and servants attended on the Emperor, while Muhammad Amin Khan and Fazil Khan were to come three stages behind the imperial party

On Thursday the 14th May/16th Shawwal he murched out of Bhimbar While crossing the terrible Pir Panjal pass a frightened elephant turned back from the

front and stampeded towards Bhimbar like a sudden calamity or a whirlwind, a terrible confusion befell the men and animals in that narrow pass. Some female elephants and some porters of the government fell into the pit of destruction and were so thoroughly crushed by the attack of this moving mountain that not to the speak of the men, not a bone of the elephants could be seen. On the occurrence of this terrible accident, the heart of the humble-cherishing Emperor was greatly grieved, and from that very time he resolved never again to visit Kashmir. In short, on Thursday, the 28th May/1st Zil. Q, he entered the city of Srinagar. Raja Raghunāth, mutasaddi (Superintendent) of the revenue department, died. On Sunday, the 7th June/11th Zil. Q, the post of Wazir was entrusted to Fāzil Khan, Iftikhār Khan becoming Khān-1-Sāmān

During the reign of Shāh Jahān, every year 79,000 rupees were distributed in five months through the Sadr-us-Sadur, but in the other seven months no expenditure was made (on charity). Now the Emperor ordered that during five months the existing practice should be followed, and during the remaining seven months 10,000 rupees were to be distributed every month so that in all every year one lakh [47] and 49,000 rupees were to be spent on the needy

On Saturday, the 13th June/17th Zil Q, the Emperor was weighed on his 47th lunar birthday, presents were given to all the nobles of the Court and the provinces Fāzil Khan, on obtaining the post of Diwān fell severely ill and died On Tuesday, the 23rd June/27th Zil Q, the Emperor condoled with his brother's son Burhānuddin who had recently come from Persia, by presenting him with a robe and kindly undertook to bring him up

After enjoying the scenery of all the places of Kashmir, he set out from that abode of pleasure on the 16th August/22nd Muharram on return towards Lahore J'afar Khan, Subahdār of Mālwa, was summoned to Court to receive the Wazirship, Najābat Khan being appointed in his place. The Emperor reached Lahore on Tuesday, the 29th September/7th Rabi A. On Monday, the 2nd November/11th Rabi. S, he was weighed on his 46th solar birthday. 'Āqil Khan who was living in retirement at Lahore, was again taken into service as a two hazāri (700 tr.). Tarbiyat Khan was sent to Irānland as envoy to carry a reply to the letter of Shāli 'Abbās brought by Budāq Beg, with precious things and rarities worth seven lakhs of rupees. On the 9th November,

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the I imperor started for Delhi J'afar Khan had audience at Panipat and was created Wazir On Friday the 20th November/29th Rabi S the I imperor arrived in the civitons of Delhi [48]

CHAPTER VII

SEVENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN 1074 A H

18th March 1664—7th March 1665

With the approach of Ramzan, festive arrangements were made. After returning from the mosque, the Emperor sat on the thione and gratified with his royal gifts the hearts of the princes and nobles, the rich and the poor

Presents were made to him and accepted

On Sunday, the 5th June/21st Zil Q, he was weighed on his 48th lunar birthday. A letter was received from Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam reporting the birth of a son to the mother of Muhammad Mu'izuddin, the child was named 'Izzuddin. Mustafa Khan Khafi was sent as envoy to Turān-land. A letter composed by Dānishmand Khan along with ceitain rare jewelled ware worth one lakh 50,000 rupees was sent with him to 'Abdul 'Aziz Khan, ruler of Bukhārā, and another letter with presents worth one lakh of rupees to Subhān Quli Khan, ruler of Balkh

Although Maharaja Jaswant Singh greatly exerted himself to root out Shivā, to desolate his country, and to conquer his forts, yet no result satisfactory to the imperialists was produced Therefore, Raja Jai Singh was appointed with other famous commanders to put him down On Friday, the 30th September, 1664/19th Rabi A, the Emperor was weighed on his 47th solar birthday, imperial favours were

conferred on the princes and nobles

The Emperor learnt that Najābat Khan Subahdār of Mālwa had died, Wazir Khan Subahdār of Khāndesh was appointed to succeed him [49] and Dāud Khan one of the assistants of Raja Jai Singh, was made Subahdār of Khāndesh, but a faimān was sent to him to leave one of his kinsmen at Burhānpur and himself set out for his destination [the Maratha country]

A letter was received from Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam reporting the birth of a son on Monday, the 5th December, 1664/26th Jamad A, to the daughter of Rup Singh Rathor,

the child was named Sultan Muhammad 'Azım,

CHAPTER VIII

HIGHTH YEAR OF THE REIGN 1075 A H

8th March, 1665-24th February, 1666

With the month of Ramzan began the 8th year of the reign Preparations for the celebration were made. After returning from the mosque on the 'Id ul fitr the Emperor gratified the hearts of all with many acts of goodness and

favour

Haji Ahinad Savyid who in the fourth year of the reign had been sent to convey six likh and 60,000 rupees worth of presents to the Holy Cities now (on return) had audience, and presented 14 Arab horses as peshkash (offering) Sayyid Yahia, envoy of the Sharif of Mecca was granted an interview and presented a supplicatory letter three Arab horses and some sacred relies. He was rewarded with a robe and 6 000 rupees. Siddi Kamil envoy of the king of Abyssiua and Savyid 'Abdullah, representative of the ruler of Hazramaut (in Arabia), arrived at Court with letters and presents they were shown high honour by the grant of robes and cash. Nine Arab steeds which Imam [50] Ism all ruler of Yemen had sent were presented to the Emperor. This celebration continued for five days

News reached the Court that Ithar Khan, commandant of Agra had died Radandaz Khan, faujdar of the environs (of Agra) succeeded him while the latter s

office was given to Hushdar Khan the Subahdar

On Saturday the 13th May, 1665/8th Zil Q, Maha raja Jaswant Singh came from the Deccan and had audience

On Sunday, the 23rd April/17th Shawwal, the Emperor was weighed on his 49th lunar birthday imperial gifts and honours glorified the servants at Court and the provinces. The envoys of Mecca Abyssinia and Hazramant were given conge after being presented with suitable rewards in cash and kind. On Wednesday, the 14th June/10th Zil. H., was the 1d uz zuha. On Friday the 23rd occurred the festival of 1d i Gulabi when the princes and nobles presented jewelled or enamelled goblets.

The Emperor learnt that through the exertions of Raja Jai Singh, Dilir Khan, and other heroes, Purandar,

Rudramāl, and other forts of Shivā were captured, and the latter knowing that his end would be extirpation, had very prudently sent messengers to the Raja to beg for safety, and having been freed from despair by the Raja's promise and agreement [51] had surrendered twenty-three forts to the imperial officers On Monday, the 12th June, 1665/8th Zil H, he came unarmed and interviewed the Raja, who embraced and made him sit near him, promised him safety of life and property, and presenting a jewelled sword and dagger urged him to put on the arms, and then sent him to Dilir Khan, who too treated him with many favours the terms of the Raja's request, a farman was sent to him (Shiva) containing pardon and a gracious robe from the Emperor His son Sambhā was made a five hazān (same The Raja Jai Singh was made a seven hazāri (same tr do-aspa seh-aspa) in recognition of his excellent services His son, Ram Singh, who was at Court, Dilir Khan, Daud Khan, Rāi Singh, Kirat Singh and others too received many kınds of favour As 'Adıl Khan of Bıjapur had delayed ın paying his tribute and tried to help Shiva, an imperial order was sent to Raja Jai Singh saying that, after settling the country and forts gained from Shiva, he should hasten to attack the Bıjāpur territory and destroy the enemy without engaging himself in the siege of the fort Muhammad Zāhid, son of Qāzi Islām, was appointed Censoi of the Court The high minister J'afar Khan had built a nice mansion on the bank of the Jamuna The Emperor visited it and that premier noble performed the etiquette of spreading the carpet before the door (pā-āndāz), supplication (māz) and offered valuable presents consisting of rarities and This year a reply to the letter of wonderful articles 'Abdullah Khan, ruler of Kāshghar [52] was sent with Khwāja Ishāq along with certain precious articles

On Wednesday, the 25th October, 1665/25th Rabi S, the Emperor was weighed on his 48th solar birthday, presents were given to the nobles at Court and the provinces At the request of Raja Jai Singh, a faimān was issued summoning Mulla Ahmad Navāyet, the chief noble of 'Adıl Khan, who had come to the Raja to promote the interests of his master, and being desirous of entering the imperial service was waiting for an opportunity to do it. He was

granted the rank of a 6-hazāii (same tr)

On Saturday, 9th December/11th Jamad S., the Emperor learnt from the despatches of Saif Khan, Subahdar

of Kashimir, that in accordance with the imperial order Daldal Muhamal,,* zamindar of Greater Tibet, had accepted Islām, the khutba had been read in the Emperor's name in the country, imperial coins issued and a high mosque built there. The khan who had wisely managed this affair was rewarded with a promotion of rank and the grant of a robe Murād Khan, a zamindar of Lesser Tibet, who had shown great friendliness in this expedition was given a robe of honour

On Wednesday, the 3rd January, 1660/7th Rajab, Prince Muhammad Mu azzam, having come from the Deccan, had audience News came from the Deccan that Mulla Ahmad Navayet who had started for the Court, had died An order was issued to send his son Asad and the other surviving members of his family to His Majesty [53] From the letters of news reporters in Agra it was learnt that Shah Jahan was seized with strangury on the 8th January, 1066/12th Rajab and that his illness was increasing in severity, and the doctors had withdrawn their hands from applying remedies as they declared the disease to be beyond cure The Emperor wished to march in that direction As a measure of precaution Prince Muhammad Mu azzam was sent in advance on Friday the 19th January/ 23rd Rajab Early in the night of Monday the 22nd January, 1666 A D /26th Rajab, Shah Jahan succumbed to the disease and gave up the ghost. On the occurrence of this tragic event, R'adandaz Khan Khwaja Phul (Bahlol) Sayvid Muhammad Kanauji and Qazi Qurban entered the Ghusalkhana at the wish of Begam Sahib []ahanara] and engaged in making the necessary preparations for the funeral and the burial. The corpse was carried out of the fort through the door of the octangular (musamman) tower Hushdar Khan Subihdar joined (the procession) took the coffin across the Jamuna and carried it to the mausoleum of Mumtaz uz zamanı built by His late Majesty reading the funeral prayer they consigned the body to the earth under the dome The chronograms for the death of Shah Jahan are Shah Jahan died', and 'Raziullah' (bi Ashraf Khan) He had lived 76 years and 3 months, and reigned 31 years and 2 months The prince got the news at a distance of 7 kos at the end of the night of his decease

Daldol is a migreading for Dalai Makamal does not resemble any of the tritles of the ruler of Tibet, and I can only conjecture that it is a mistake for Makamani

Early in the day of burial he arrived at the city and performed the ecremony of condolence [54] On the arrival of the sad news, the Emperor, the Princes and the Begams put on mourning. It was ordered that in letters and edicts Shah Jahan's title should be given as Firdaus Ashiām. On Sunday, the 4th February 9th Shab'an the Emperor started by boat towards Agra in order to visit his father's tomb. On Friday, the 23rd/28th Shab'an, he alighted at the mansion of Dārā Shukoh, and visited the tomb. The next day and the day following he went to the fort and made kind inquiries of and gave solace to the Begam Sāhib and all the other ladies of the harem, and made them all quit their robes of mourning. For certain works it was necessary for him to stay (in Agra) for a few days, so he summoved the ladies of his harem from Delhi

At this time the fort of Chatgaon was conquered through the efforts of the Timi-ul-umara, his son Buzuig Ummed Khan and other commanders were honoured and gladdened with many favours.

CHAPTER IX

NINTH YEAR OF THE REIGN (1076 A H)

25th I ebruary 1666-14th February, 1667

With the month of Ramzan began the ninth year of the reign The Court was decorated for the 'Id Tuesday, the 27th March/1st Shawwal, joyous music was played After returning from the place of prayer, the Emperor sat on the throne The Begam Sahib was given a reward of one lakh of gold coins and her annual pension formerly 12 lakhs of rupees, was increased by five lakhs of rupees [55] Pur Hunar Banu Begam and Gauharārā

Begam each received one lakh of rupees

At this time the imperial treasury which the officers had in the fifth year of the reign removed from Agra fort to Dellu fort, was again transferred to Agra As Raja Jai Singh had sent Shiva to the Court and the latter had arrived in the environs of Agra Kumur Ram Singh and Mukhlis Khan were ordered to advance and meet him and bring him to His Majesty On Saturday the 12th May 1666/18th Zil Q the Emperor was weighed on his 50th lunar birthday Shiva with his son Sambha was honoured with an audience He presented 1500 ashrafi as nazar and 6 000 rupees as nisar As Raja Jai Singh had sent Shiva at his request to the Court, the Emperor overlooking his former offences wished to confer on him favours and give him permission to depart after a few days. On the day of interview he stood at the proper place along with the high amirs But this wild animal of the wilderness of ignorance who knew not the etiquette of the imperial court went into a corner and made improper expressions of dissatisfaction and complaint to Kumar Ram Singh His brainless head led lum to make a tumult. The Emperor ordered that he should return to his lodging that Kumar Ram Singh should make him alight in a house near his own pavillion and bring his son Sambhā with himself to the audience and that Fulad Khan should watch him in view of the fraud and satanic trickery of this arch-deceiver

A royal letter containing all these matters was sent to Raja Jai Šingh [56] asking him to write what he considered

politic, so that Shiva might be treated accordingly two or three days, this knave in terror of the Emperor's wrath, turned to contriving some remedy, and beseeching the intercession of the nobles, he professed submission and repentance About this time the despatch of Jai Singh was received, saying "I have given him promise and assurance of safety and he is engaged in our warfare in this region Pardoning his offences would be advisable" Therefore Fulad Khan was ordered to remove the guards from his house Kumār Rām Singh, too, slackened his watch artful cheat feigning sickness fled with his son on Sunday, the 19th August/27th Safar Thereupon, Kumāi Rām Singh was dismissed from his mansab. An order was sent to Raja Jai Singh saying that the trouble-maker Netāji, who was related to Shiva and had been created a 5-hazāni (same tr) at the Raja's request and was staying with him, should be arrested by cunning and sent to the Court

As the Emperor had decided on going to Delhi, for transacting certain affairs, he sent in advance the Begam Sāhib and other ladies of the harem

At this time a despatch of Tarbiyat Khan, who had been sent on an embassy to Persia was received, stating the wickedness of heart, folly, violence of temper, and unimaginable haughtiness of the wretched Shāh 'Abbās, and reporting that he wished to go to Khurāsān with a view to waging After Tarbiyat Khan's arrival at the Court, this matter was again communicated to the Emperor by him and other reporters The Emperor determined to punish this empty-headed king, who wished to destroy the alliance between them without any reason [57] Accordingly he first deputed Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam with Maharaja Jaswant Singh and declared that he himself would march to the Panjab As Tarbiyat Khan had committed some faults in conducting the embassy, he was forbidden the Court On Tuesday, the 9th October/19th Rabi S, the Emperor set out by the Jamuna from Agra to Delhi, which was reached in 14 stages '

On Saturday, the 27th October/8th Jamad A, he was weighed on his 49th solar birthday. Āmir Khan, nāzim of Kabul had arrested and sent some Mughals to the Court on the suspicion of their being spies. The Emperoi appointed Itimād Khan and Mullā 'Abdul Qawi to investigate their case. The Khan took one of them without chains or handcuffs to his private room. Suddenly the man rushed

out of the room, went to the servant who stood outside with his weapons, snatched away his sword, and returning struck the Khan and killed him. The people around cut the man down. The Emperor was grieved to hear of the death of such a faithful old servant, and gave robes and promotions to his sons and other relatives. He visited the mansion of J'afar Khan the premier noble, who offered presents of jewels and jewelled ware

Khwāja Ishāq who had gone last vear on an embassy to Kāshghar, returned (from the way) on hearing of disturbances in that country But now on hearing of the settle ment of peace in that country he was sent a second time [58]

As the King of Persia was going from Farrukhabad to Isfahān he was attacked with an inflammation of the throat owing to exposure and died at Khārsammān on Wednesday the 22nd August/1st Rabi A. His minister placed his eldest son Mirzā Safi on the throne. On Wednesday the 12th December/24th Jamad S. Aurangzib learnt this news at his private hunting lodge (khās shikār) from the letters of reporters on the frontiers, and said. My wish was different (from this). But as the True Avenger has punished him for his sins it would not be generous and heroic to send an army against the country of Iran. So an order was sent to Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam not to advance beyond Lahore but stay there for a few days.

Bahādur Khan an officer sent with the Prince, returned from the way to the Court and was sent to Allahabid as Subahdār Raja Jai Singh after arresting Shivās relation Netaji sent him to the Court He was made over to Fidai

Khan and accepted Islam

As Raja Jai Singh after concluding the expedition against Shiva, had gone with the imperial army to punish Adil Khān Abill Muhammad grandson of Bahlol, one of the Athl Shāhi chiefs joined the Raja after two stages had been passed. The new comer was created a b hazari (same number of troopers) at the Raja's command and pronuted to assist in the war. At the Raja's command and through the exertions and services of Shivā and his general Netāji [59] the forts Phaltan, Thāthwari Khāwan and Mangal beda were captured. During this period many heroic attacks and fights took place with Abul Muhammad, Khawās Khan and their countless army. The imperial army triumphed all the villages adjacent to Bijāpur were repeatedly overrun and harried by our troops. In short, the imperial army

arrived within five kos of Bijāpur. 'Ādil Khan after strengthening the fort of Bijāpur, cut the banks of his tanks, filled up the surrounding wells with briars, razed to the ground the homesteads outside the fort, stood a siege, and appointed his army to repel the imperial forces. As the Raja did not design to conquer the fort of Bijāpur and had not brought with himself siege-materials, he halted for some days, and then marched away. On Saturday, the 20th January, 1666/24th Rajab, he crossed the river Bhimā Diānat Rāi, the trusted servant of 'Ādil Khan, brought a message to the Raja begging pardon and professing submission, with some jewelled ware. As the rainy season arrived, and the Raja got a letter from the Emperor ordering him to pass the monsoon at Āurangābād, he gave up the campaign and returned

At this time Dilir Khan by imperial command first went to the kingdom of Chānda Mānji Mallār, the zamindār, intetrviewed the Khan, gave him five lakhs of rupees, and agreed to pay one kror of rupees as fine to the imperial Government, and two lakhs of rupees as his permanent annual tribute. Then the Khan went to the kingdom of Deogarh. Kok (Kukia) Singh, the ruler of the place agreed to pay 15 lakhs of rupees as the balance (of tribute) for the past with an additional three lakhs [60] of rupees every year. After having gained composure about the affairs of these places, the Khan again marched with his army by command to the Deccan, and was created a 5-hazān (same tr. do āspa seh-āspa).

CHAPTER X

TENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN 1077 A H

15th I chrunn 1067-3rd February, 1668

The month of Ramzan led to the increase of charity and rood deeds The Court officers made preparations for the celebration

On Sunday the 24th February /10th Ramzan a prince was delivered by Udipuri Mahal, and he was named Muhammad Kambakhsh Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam on return from Lahore had audience On Sunday 17th March/1st Shawwal the Emperor after returning from the place of prayer sat on the throne, and conferred

favours on the princes and nobles

Shivi's relation Neta who had accepted Islam raised after circumcision to the rank of a 3-hazāri (2 000 tr.) with the title of Muhammad Quh Khan Mir 'Imaduddin diwan of the bivutat got the title of Rahmat Khan and 'Azızuddın that of Bahramand Khan On Saturday, the 23rd March/7th Shawwal Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam was given conge as Subalidar of the Deccan, by an increment of 5 hazar [61] he was created a 20 hazarı (12 hazar tr) Maharaja Jaswant Singh Rai Singh Saf Shikan Khan and Sarbuland Khan were appointed under him favours Raja Jai Singh was recalled to Court

DISTURBANCES CAUSED BY THE YUSUFZAY AFGHANS

When the Emperor learnt of the rising of the Yusufzai Afghāns their exalting as their commander a silly beggar under the name of Muhammad Shah, the disturbances caused by the exertions of that deceitful impostor the wicked Mulla Chalak, and the leadership of the black faced Bhagu he sent orders to Kamil Khan faujdar of Attock to gather together the faujdars and jagirdars of the environs of the river Nilab and engage in crushing the rebels as far as possible

Order was sent to Amir Khan Subahdar of Kābul to depute Shamshir Khan, with five thousand men to put them Kāmil Khan in his eagerness, did not wait for the arrival of Shamshu Khan, but fought a severe engagement with the enemy, overpowered them, and recovered the imperial outposts. On Thursday, the 2nd May/18th Zil Q Shamshii Khan after crossing the river Nilāb, came towards Attock, and entered the enemy's territory on the other side of the river opposite the Yusufzai country. The enemy went away to the hills and waited for an opportunity

On that day, Muhammad Amin Khan Mir Bakhshi, with Amir Khan, Qubad Khan and other commanders, and 9,000 troopers in all, was sent from the Court to punish these rebels. Before the arrival of this Khan, Shanishir Khan had repeatedly fought great battles and engagements [62]. Three hundred of the leading maliks of the tribes were taken prisoner. On hearing of it the Emperor honoured Shanishir Khan and Kāmil Khan with imperial favours.

On Thursday, the 9th May, 1667/25th Zil Q, the Emperor was weighed on his 51st lunar birthday During this celebration Prince Muhammad 'Azam was made a 15-hazān (7 hazān tr.) by an increment of 3-hazān Prince Muhammad Akbai was made a 8-hazāii (2 hazāi tr.) and granted the tuman tugh, kettledium, and umbiella 'Umdatul Mulk J'afar Khan and the officers at Court and the provinces were cherished with various favours Rustam Bey and Khushi Bey, the envoys of the Kings of Bukhārā and Balkh respectively, were presented with 10bes and cash and given conge From first to last two lakhs of jupees were spent on the envoy of Bukhārā, and one lakh and 50 thousand supees on that of Balkh Razavi Khan of Bukhārā was appointed Sadr vice 'Ābid Khan Tarbiyat Khan's offences were pardoned, and he was sent to Orissa as Subahdar vice Khan-i-Dauran deceased It was learnt from the letters of the reporters of Burhanpur that Raja Jan Singh was coming from Aurangabad to the Court when on arriving there he died on the 28th of Muharram! The Emperor cherished his son Kumār Rām Singh, who had so long been under punishment, by giving him the title of Raja and many favours

Muhammad Amın Khan after arrıvıng ın the Afglian country harrıed and desolated their homes as far as possible,

^{*}This date is incorrect. The writer's sole authority, the Alangirnāmali (p. 1051) merely states—"On the 28th [month not given] from the news-letters of Burhānpur the Emperor learnt that Raja Jai Singh has died in that city." The dynastic list maintained by the Jaipur State gives 28th August 1667 (18th Rabi A) as the date of his death, and therefore the news of it may have reached the Emperor on the 28th of Rabi-ul-awwal, and not possibly on that day of the month of Muharram (=10 July)

the 1 mperor ordered him to leve Shamshir Khan there and come to Lahore, [63] and be its Subalidar vice Ibrahim Khan

On Monday the 2nd December, 1667/25th Jamad S, the I'mperor was weighed for his 50th solar birthday From the letters of the news writers of the province of Kashmir and the despatch of Murid khan, zamındar of [Lesser] libet the Emperor learnt that 'Abdullah Khan the ruler of Kashghar, after being overpowered by his son Bulbars Khan, had with his family and dependants and a few of his servants in a plundered and destitute condition, turned his face in this direction with a view to seeking refuge with the Emperor It was also learnt that Khwaja Ishaq, who had been sent to him as envoy, had interviewed him in this con dition and helped him to be released from this difficulty, and that they would soon reach Kashmir

On hearing this news the Emperor in his extreme kind ness and appreciation of worth, deputed Khwāja Sādiq of Badakhshān and Saifullah to act as guest superintendent to this noble King one dagger one jewelled jigha one hundred and nine Arab, Persian and Turki horses, some of which had sewelled and gold trappings two elephants, some gold and silver vessels a certain number of suits of dress nice robes, tents, pavilions precious carpets, and all other articles of splendour were sent with them and the above officers were ordered to hasten to Kashmir meet the noble Khan there, and act as his caretakers till his arrival at the Court. An order was sent to Mumtaz Khan Subahdar of Kashmir directing that when 'Abdullah Khan, [64] would reach that pleasant land he should be supplied by the imperial govern ment with all his necessaries, and given 50,000 rupees from the provincial treasury and that when he would start for the Court the Subahdar should accompany and conduct him to His Maiesty

An order was issued to Muhammad Amin Khan Subahdar of Lahore, that when 'Abdullah Khan would come within the limits of that province he should treat him with every respect and care, properly perform the rites of hospi tality and give him 50 000 rupees from the public revenue and a large amount and some articles on his own behalf Similarly orders were issued to all the governors and faujdars on his route to perform the rites of hospitality in their respective places, and conduct him over their jurisdic

tions in the most excellent manner

Thursday, the 19th December/13th Rajab, Danishmand Khan was made Mir Bakshi vice Muhammad Āmin Khan, and presented with a special robe and a jewelled pen-case At this time Khwaja Bahlol was appointed commandant of Gwalior vice Muhammad Mu'atamad Khan and received a robe, a horse, a dagger, and the title of Khidmatgar Khan, while the title of Khidmatgar Khan was changed to Khidmatguzār Khan At this time it was learnt from the news-reports of Bengal that the wretched Assamese had a second time audaciously crossed their own frontier and attacked Gauāhatı on the boundary of Bengal, with a vast army and a large flotilla, and that as reinforcement had not reached Sayyıd Fıruz Khan, the thanadar of the place, the enemy had conquered Gauahati, and the aforesaid Khan had bravely [65] sacrificed his life with many of his comrades in devotion (to duty) The Emperor decided that one of the great and eminent nobles of the Court should be deputed to Bengal with an army from His Presence to put down the enemy and that he should join this force to some of the troops serving in Bengal, and engage in chastising this wicked tribe Therefore, Raja Rām Singh was appointed to perform this exploit On Friday, the 27th December, 1667/21st Rajab he was sent off with a robe, a horse with gold trappings and a jewelled dagger with pearl strap Nasiri Khan, Kesari Singh Bhurtia [Rathor], Raghunāth Singh Mairtia, Brahmadeo Sisodiā and many other nobles and mansabdārs, 1,500 āhadis, and 500 bargāndāzes were appointed under him

Here ends my abridgment of the history of the first

ten years

CHAPTER XI

ATTHOR 5 I REPACE

[Twenty 4wn Imes of trife remarks omitted]

[67] Be it known to the reader that the 'llamginianah giving the incidents of the first ten years of the reign of the I imperor Abul Zafar Mulnuddin Muhammad Aurangzib 'Xlamgir Ghizi was written by * * * [68] Mirza Muhammad Karim The l'imperor forbade the writer to continue the history thereafter * * *

After the death of this Imperor, in the reign of Abul Ansar Quibuddin Shāh 'Alam Bahadur Padishāh Ghāni 'Inayetullah Khan chief of the wazir's diwān and personal disciple of Alanigir urged this worthless fool Muhammad Must ad Khan that many of the occurrences and meidents savings and acts of Aurangaib during the (last) forty years of his reign were hidden from our knowledge and that Alamgir's deeds had not been collected in a history. You have tasted the cup of meaning and possess sufficient ability to express the pruse of Alangir and to discharge this task.

I plended 'This is [69] a difficult task beyond the capacity of man full of defects such as I am. The execution of such works depends upon the demand of leaders apprecritive of ment and right minded masters expert in landing words. In their absence the work produced would be consigned to the niche of forgetfulness. If the sheets of the news letters of the Court and the provinces be collected then the work of the composition may be accomplished with ease. A passionate friend has no other thought than to realise his desire by any means whatsoever, and (thus) to leave a memorial for all times. [But] my entreaty produced no effect (on his mind)

This humble servant, who considered it his duty to be true to the salt of the virtuous Emperor, and had been all his life one of the knot of servants standing outside the door of His Majesty a Court, recorded what he had seen and what he had learnt on inquiry from the trusty friends who had borne office during that reign. As this book of fortunate victories contains the triumphs of the Emperor 'Alamgir

I considered " $Ma\bar{a}sir$ -i-' $\bar{A}lamgin$ '" as its proper title, that phrase being its title as well as giving its date (year of completion), 1120 A H /1708 A D [70]

11th year of the reign 1078 a h

4th February, 1668—22nd January, 1669

With the month of Ramzan, the 11th year began The courtiers set about making preparations for the (annual coronation) festivity. The month of Ramzan was spent in fasting during the day and remaining quiet at night. On Thursday, the 5th March/1st Shawwal, the Emperor went to the mosque to perform the two-fold prayers of 'Id-ul-fitr, and on his return sat on the throne in the Public Audience Hall. The Princes and peers made their salutations and were granted promotions, robes of honour, and titles.

Coronation Gazette Muhammad 'Azam got a robe and a jewelled dhup, and Muhammad Kāmbakhsh a robe Umdat-ul-mulk J'afar Khan was given a robe and a silver-hilted dagger, Dāmshmand Khan, Mir Bakhshi, a robe, an elephant, and promotion to the rank of a 5-hazāni (2,000 tr), The imperial physician, gained promotion to the rank of 2,500 zāt, (100 tr), [71] Himmat Khan to the rank of 2½ hazāni (1,200 tr), and Lutfullah Khan to that of 1½ hazāni (500 tr), Muhammad Ism'ail, son of Āsad Khan, got his appointment to the rank of 3-sadi Muhammad Y'aqub, son of Shaikh Mir, formerly a 4-sadi (100 tr) now got an increment of 200 troopers Ibrāhim Khan was appointed Subahdār of Bihār, vice Lashkar Khan and raised to the rank of a 5-hazāni (5,000 tr) Mahābat Khan, Subahdār of Ahmadābād Gujrāt, had audience, and was created Subahdār of Kabul vice Sayyid Āmir Khan

As the Emperor had no liking for pleasure, and his devotion to duty left him no time for festivity, he ordered that the chief musician Khush-hāl Khan, Bisrām Khan, Ras-bin, and others might come to the Court, but must not make music Gradually (music) was entirely forbidden

On Thursday, the 12th Maich/8th Shawwal, 'Abdullah Khan (the expelled King of Kāshghar), who had come to the environs of Delhi, alighted in one of the gardens. The Emperor ordered arrangements to be made for his hospitable reception. On Sunday, the 15th March/11th Shawwal, Umdat-ul-mulk J'afar Khan and Āsad Khan went outside

the city to bring him to His Majesty While riding he shook hands with the two, came to the door of the Halls of Audience on horseback, thence reached the red barrier (kathra) in a palki [72] and the silver barrier on foot Sitting down near the golden barrier, he partook of the Emperor's own bread and water, which had been presented to him He then kissed the jewelled staff presented to him and took it in his arms. After one prahar and six gharis he went to see the ghusalkhana and then sat on the river After an hour, the Emperor appeared, the Khan went up to him made his salutation, and shook hands with His Majesty The Emperor took him by the hand to the mosque After half an hour he was permitted to depart Ekkataz khan, Mubariz Khan, and Khwaja Muhammad Sadiq con ducted him to the haveli of the late Rustam Khan a charm ing house which had been furnished afresh with carpets and other things from the Emperor's personal furniture department He was now presented with 11 laklis of rupees in eash 20,000 rupees in kind, and 18 horses with trappings of jewel gold and silver, and gold-embroidered horse-cloth which had been assembled in the Audience Hall He with his ladies passed the whole of the next day in visiting and merry making in the garden of Sahibabad [73] On behalf of the Begnm Sāhib he was presented with 20,000 rupees eighteen thans of cloth, a jewelled dagger with phul katara, a jewelled betel-case with a gold tray, an enamelled spittoon, a crystal chaughara and 200 dishes of food with argaiah and pan On the 29th March/25th Shawwal when the Emperor after rising (from the throne) was standing near the fountain of the Court Umdat ul mulk brought the Khan with him self to the Presence There was not a yard's distance The Khan bowed the Emperor laid his between them hand on his gracious breast At his command, he stood in front of the Emperor near the fountain and was presented with a tuighun falcon Umdat iil mulk was commanded to entertain the Khan with an elephant fight and to sit with lum there, while the Emperor went to his Khawabgah (sleeping room)

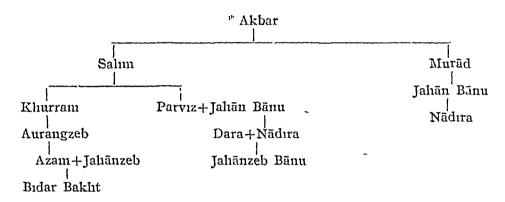
On Saturday, the 25th April/23rd Zil Q the Emperor was weighed in the ghusal khana in the customary manner the 52nd lunar year of his life began. The Princes and the grandees received many gifts while the Begam Sahib and other ladies and princes sent presents to the Emperor. On Sunday the 3rd May/1st Zil H, Rahmat Bānu, daughter

of the King of Assam, was married to Muhammad 'Azam.

the bride's settlement was 1 lakh, 80,000 rupees

It was reported from the province of Tatta, that the village of Samāwāni, in the jurisdiction of the port of Lāri [74], had sunk down with 30,000 residents, owing to an earthquake

On Tuesday, the 12th May/10th Zil H, the Emperor went to say his two-fold 'Iduzzaha prayers On Friday, the 17th July/17th Safar Muhammad 'Azam was contracted to Jahānzeb Bānu Begam, the daughter of Dāiā Shukoh and



Nādīra Bānu Begam, who was the daughter of Jahān Bānu Begam, who was the daughter of Sultan Murād (4th son of Ākbar) and wife of Sultān Parwiz, the elder brother of Shāh Jahān, the ceremony was performed in the house of the Emperor's elder sister Jahānārā Bānu, surnamed the Begam Sāhīb, who had brought her up like her own daughter 'Umdat-ul-mulk J'afar Khan and other nobles conceyed 1,60,000 rupees to her as nuptial present (sāchīq)

On Saturday, 1st August/3rd Rabi A, Lashkar Khan was appointed Subahdār of Multān vice Tāhir Khan News came from Bengal that at first the dust was raised and then a terrible apparition of great height appeared, after some hours it disappeared. Then it was found that for half a league (round it) men and animals were lying killed and wounded. On Monday, 14th September/17th Rabi S, news came from Jaunpur that heavy rain had fallen for 22 days commencing on 7th August. Many high buildings and 22 yards of the east wall of the fort had tumbled down. In some places the lightning had struck, some men had been killed, others who had become senseless recovered consciousness with the loss of their hearing.

'Abdun Nabi Khan [75] after removal from his post in Fathpur Jhunjhnu, was created a 2-hazāri (1,000 tr.) and

appointed faujdar of Mathurā Muhammad 'Alı Khan was appointed diwān of Raushanārā Bānu Begam

The Emperor ordered the Subahdars and fanjdars of the provinces of Allahabad and Oudh to search for and send manacled and fettered to the Court those men who castrated children and to regard it as a peremptory order that no one should be allowed to engage in this wicked practice

On Wednesday 21st October 1608/25th Jamad A, the 51st solar year of his life began. The Emperor sat on the throne in the ghusalkhāna which had been decorated for the ceremony of weighing. He stopped the practice of (birth day) meighing. He stopped the practice of (birth day) weighing. He stopped the practice of in happiness in Delhi wanted to visit the holy cities, [76] he received leave to depart. The imperial officers prepared the requisites of his journey. Orders were issued to the Subahdars magistrates and faujdars of the road from Delhi to Surat that they should conduct the Khan through their respective jurisdictions in the best manner. Superintendents of guests' were appointed, as at the time of his coming. From first to last ten lakhs of rupees were spent on him.

'Ināyat Khan the diwān of Khālsa was raised to the rank of 9 sadi (100 tr) Shaikh Sulaimān was appointed dārogha of adālat, wice Mir Husaini, and a 7 sadi (70 tr) Islām Quli, the master of the horse of Abdul 'Aziz, king of Bukhārā was made a hazāri Sayyid Amir Khan, the dismissed Subahdar of Kābul, had audience and presented 500 mohars and 2,000 rupees He kissed the Emperor s feet and the Emperor laid his gracious hand on his back

Khush hal Khan and other masters of revels were given 3,000 rupees and 40 suits of khel at Sayyid 'Usmān, the messenger of the Sherri of Mecca was allowed to depart with a robe 9 000 rupees and a horse with silver trappings Shaf'i Khan was appointed diwān: tan ince Kifayet Khan Tāhir Khan the dismissed Subahdār of Multān, had audience and presented 100 mohars and 1 000 rupees. Five hundred mohars sent by Mahābat Khan [77] on the occasion of the birth of a son were presented to the Emperor, the son was named Zamāna Beg. The imperial Bakhshis were ordered to dismiss all troopers up to 3-sadis excepting the servants and zamindārs. Saf Shikan Khan from the service of Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam and Mukhtār Khan,

the qıladar of Parenda, came and had audience of the Emperor.

The Emperor in order to obey the rules of the Holy law and to put down uncanonical innovations, ordered the removal of the two stone elephants of exactly the same size which had been made by skilful artisans and placed on the two side-posts of the fort, from which circumstance the door was called Hatiāpul

the 21st December, 1668/27th Rajab On Sunday, the 3rd January, 1669/10th Shaban, the Emperor sat in the Court of Private Audience, the Prince received a robe with chahānab, ten Arab and 'Irāqi horses, two elephants with gold trappings, a talām, a jewelled sword worth 20,000 rupees, a turban [78] worth 60,000 rupees and cash amounting to 12 lakhs of rupees. The Begam Sāhib was presented with the elephant Sarwārganj, worth 15,000 rupees and Jahānzeb Bānu Begam with two elephants. After 5 ghans of night, the Prince came with poinp and show to the Emperor, who now went to the mosque. The knot was tied by Qāzi 'Abdul Wahhāb, with Mir Sayyid Muhammad Qanauji as his deputy, and Mullā 'Auz Akhsikati and Shaikh Saifullah Sirhindi as the witnesses. The marriage-portion was six lakhs of rupees. The Emperor with the prince rode on horseback to the house of the Begam Sāhib. Grandees down to commanders of 1500 formed the train of the Prince. After two piahais and one ghan of night, the Emperor and the Prince returned. Towards the moining the bride came to the Prince's house.

On Sunday, the 10th January, 1669/17th Shaban, the Emperor visited the Prince at his house [79] All the ground from the fort to the seraglio of the prince was covered with cloth of gold, silver and plain cloth. The Emperor sat on a throne of gold. The courtiers made their bows. It was ordered that grandees down to commanders of 1500 should make their salutations for their robes of honour through the mediation of the Bakhshi and others through that of the dārogha of khilat-khāna. The Prince made a present of jewels and cloth valued at five lakhs of rupees. Then the Emperor visited the inner apartments (mahal) and afterwards returned to the palace. At the time of the Emperor's arrival, the Prince had advanced to receive him outside the door of the band-room. At the time

of his return he was honourably dismissed from within the ghusalkhāna On Wednesday, the 6th January/18th Shaban, 'Abdur Rashid, the ambassador of Bulbāris Khan, the ruler of Kāshghar, had audience and presented his master's letter. It was made over to Khidmat Khan, the dārogha of petitions

On the 13th January/20th Shaban, the Emperor ordered that men should not use in their garments cloth of gold, as the wearing of it was opposed to the Holy Law

CHAPTER XII

TWELFTH YEAR OF THE REIGN 1079 A H

23rd January, 1669—12th January, 1670

The Emperor passed the month of Ramzan in religious observances. The courtiers made preparations for celebrating the coronation day [80] The moon of Shawwal became visible on Friday. On the day of 'Id the Emperor visited the 'Idgāh, and at the time of return offered his Friday prayer in the great Jām'a Mosque. [1st Shawwal was Monday, the 22nd February.] Next Tuesday, the 2nd Shawwal he sat on the jewelled throne.

Coronation Day Gazette Prince Muhammad 'Azam got a robe and promotion to the rank of 15-hazāri (9,000 tr) Akbar a robe, 'Umdat-ul-mulk J'afar Khan, Muhammad Amm Khan, Asad Khan, Abdur Rahman Sultān son of Nazar Muhammad Khan, Nāmdāi Khan, Danishmand Khan, Sayyid Munawwar Khan and other officers, great and small, were rewarded with robes, horses, elephants, and promotions. Bad'i Sultān son of Khusrau Sultān was made a 2-hazān (200 tr.) Āmir Khan, son of Khalılullah Khan, was made darogha of mansabdais vice Mu'atagad Khan, son of Najābat Khan, Hasan 'Alı Khan who had been removed from his mansab for some offence, was reinstated as a 2-hazān (same ti) Abul Muhammad [81] grandson of Bahlul Khan Miyana, who came from the Deccan, had audience, and was created a 5-hazāri (4,000 tr) with the title of Ikhlas Khan Mukhtar Khan, the giladar of Parenda got leave to return (to his post)

On Thursday, the 8th April, 1669/17th Zil Q, occurred an eclipse, prayers were said and alms distributed, as was the custom

The Lord Cherisher of the Faith leaint that in the provinces of Tatta, Multān and especially at Benares, the Brahman misbelievers used to teach their false books in their established schools, and that admirers and students both Hindu and Muslim, used to come from great distances to these misguided men in order to acquire this vile learning His Majesty, eager to establish Islām, issued orders to the

governors of all the provinces to demolish the schools and temples of the infidels and with the utmost urgency put down the teaching and the public practice of the religion of these misbelievers

On I riday, the 9th April/18th Zil Q, occurred the 5 3rd lumr birthday of the I imperor observed with the insual celebrations at Court His Majesty sat on the throne, but no weighing took place as that practice was stopped from the 11th very Musicians and singers remained cycluded from the Court The band (naubat) however, played happy strains as formerly Prince Muhamimad Azam got a robe and a shield with jewelled knobs Muhamimad Akbir a robe, Umdat il milk J afar Khan and other [82] courtiers were rewarded with robes Muhamimad Muhamimad Musicians with the Emperor a ruby which Adil Khan King of Bijapur had presented it weighed 5 tank and 5 surl.h its price was estimated at 20 000 rupees A robe was sent by the Emperor to the Prince Dihr Khan was made a 5 hazam (same tr.) in reward for the capture of Deogarh

News came from the province of Allahabad that Alawardı Khan Alamgırshāhı had died His brothers Alı klını, Arslın khan Muhammad Shah Amanullah Khan Hazbir Khan Husain 'Ali Khan and Sanjar were presented with robes of condolence and con-soled. Mir Khan was created Subahdar of Allahabad, and a 4 hazarı (8 000 tr do-aspa) vice the deceased and given a robe Mu atagad Khan was made darogha of the servants of the retinue (vilau) in his place. Himmat Khan was made darogha of the Diwan i Khas Kamgar Khan son of I afar Khan was appointed darogha of the jewel market Lutfullah Khan, son of the late S'adullah Khan, was appointed darogha of dak chanki vice 'Aqil Khan who had turned hermit and he received a balaband two horses were presented to Mir Shihabuddin messenger of the king of Bulhāra

On Saturday the 1st May /10th Zil H the Emperor went to the mosque to perform the pravers of the 1d uz zuha [83] Buland Khan from the Deccau was granted audience Hakim Ibrāhim, who had by command accompanied Abdullah Khan Kashghari to the port of Surat returned and had audience Mirzā Mukarram Khan Safavi, after giving up the robes of a hermit came to the Court without

arms, the Emperor presented him with a sword—It was ordered that the ranks of officers from 900 to 200 $z\bar{a}t$ should be reported in their absence, and those from 100 to 20 should be personally presented standing—Saif Khan was made Subahdār of Kashmir vice Mubāriz Khan

On Wednesday, the 12th May/21st Zil H, it was learnt that 'Abdun Nabi Khan, faujdār of Mathurā, in order to punish the turbulent men of the village of Tilpat had attacked and at first defeated them, but was himself killed during the fight by a musket-ball. He was a religious and benevolent man and combined administrative capacity with bravery in command. He built the lofty mosque of Mathurā His biother's son and (own) son-in-law, Muhammad Ānwār was given a robe of condolence. His property was seized for the State—the cash amounted to 93,000 gold mohars, and 13 lakhs of rupees

On Thursday, the 13th May/22nd Zil H, R'adāndāz Khan, was appointed to root out the rebels near Agra [84] and received a horse with gold trappings—Sarbuland Khan was appointed Qur Begi vice Himmat Khan—Muhammad Āmin Khan, nāzim of Lahore got permission to return to his post—M'asum Khan reported that a counterfeit Shuj'ā had appeared in the neighbourhood of Morang and raised disturbances—Urgent orders were issued to Ibrāhim Khan and Fidāi Khan that if he raised his head within their jurisdiction, they should behead him

Saf Shikan Khan, was appointed faujdār of Mathurā vice Abdun Nabi Khan and Dilir Himmat, son of Bahādur Ruhila, that of Nadarbār Brahma Deo Sisodiā was appointed to accompany Saf Shikan Khan, Sayyid 'Abdul Wahhāb, messenger of the King of Māchin, had audience Sālih Bahādur, macebearer, was sent to demolish the temple of Malārna

On Thursday, the 3rd June 1669/13th Muhairam, after one prahar of the night, the Emperor by way of the garden of Haiāt-Bakhsh, visited the porter's lodge which was assigned for the residence of the saint Shaikh Saifuddin Sirhindi After an hour spent in talking with the saint and honouing him, he returned to the palace

It was reported that the wandering Hindu saint, Uddhav Bairagi, was confined in the chabutra of the police station in punishment for his seducing men to false beliefs, and that two Rajputs who were his disciples used to visit

Qāzı 'Abul Mukāram, son of Qāzı 'Abdul Wahhāb for the purpose of trying to get him released, and that finding an opportunity [85] they had fatally stabled him on the way with daggers The Emperor ordered all the three (Hindus) to be executed Raghunāth Singh Sisodiā left the Rānā, joined the Emperor, was created a hazan (300 tr) and presented with a dagger worth 1,000 rupees

ARRIVAL OF HUSAIN PASHA, LATE GOVERNOR OF BASEA

News writers of Multan had before this informed the Emperor that Husain Pasha, the governor of Basra had quarrelled with the ruler of Turkey and been replaced by Yahıa Pasha that as he could neither stay there nor return to his king, he chose to banish himself from his country with his family and a few servants and at first went to Persia, where he met with no welcome and that at last deciding to go to the imperial Court he was coming to India stage by stage * * * *

[86] The Emperor approved of his desire and ordered Artaq Beg macebearer, to carry a robe a palks and a female elephant to this lucky man at Sirhind and to persuade him to visit the Emperor with perfect composure of mind On Thursday, the 1st July/11th Safar he learnt that Husain Pashā had arrived at Aghrābād. By the im perial command Fulad Khan the kolwal met him at the Bakhshi ul mulk Asad Khan Sadr us sadur Abid Khan and Mir Tuzuk Ekkatāz Khan waited on him at the Lahore gate of the city wall and conducted him to the Emperor Bakhshi ul mulk Danishmand Khan and Asad Khan acted as his guides up to the door of the ghusall hana He made the customary obersance was permitted to kiss the throne and was stroked by the Emperor on the back His sons Afrasiah Beg and Ali Beg presented 5 000 rupees and he offered a ruby worth 20 000 rupees and ten Arab The Emperor gave him a special robe a sword with sewelled saz worth 6,000 rupees [87] a sewelled an elephant with silver trappings and talair 100 000 rupees in cash, and the rank of 5 hazars (same tr) with the title of Islam Khan Afrasiah Beg was created a Khan and 2-hazān (1 000 tr) and Alı Beg a Khan and commander of 1 500 (500 tr) They were given the haveli of Rustam Khan an excellent house furnished with carpets

and other furniture, along with a carpeted boat, in which he would come by water to pay his respects to the Emperor

News came from Attock-Benares that on Thursday, the 24th June/4th Safar, a severe earthquake had formed a pit 50 yards in length and of unfathomable depth. News came from Kashmir that on Wednesday, the 23rd June/3rd Safar the earthquake continued from evening to morning. The buildings rocked like cradles but were not damaged.

Sayyıd Munawwar Khan, son of Sayyıd Khān Jahān of Bārha, was appointed faujdār of Bārha Rai Makarand after transfer from Bareli was appointed to Bengal A baby elephant was presented to the young Prince Muhammad Kām Bakhsh Raja Rām Singh, son of Mirzā Rāja Jai Singh, was promoted by the addition of 1,000 troopers [88] Islām Khan received an increment of 1,000 zāt (same tr), tankhwā for ten months, and his sons tankhwā for eight months in cash, and permanent exemption from the payment of the price of the food of the cattle in his case, and exemption for two years in the case of his sons 'Abdullah Khan was restored to the rank of 2-hazām (1,000 tr) and granted a 10be, an enamelled dagger, and the post of dārogha of ghusalkhāna On Thursday, the 2nd September, 1669/15th Rabi S, Miizā Mukarram Khan Safavi died of a severe fever

It was reported that, according to the Emperor's command, his officers had demolished the temple of Viswanāth at Kāshi

On Saturday, the 18th September/2nd Jamad A, Ekkatāz Khan and Giridhardās Sisodiā had a fight in the course of their watch before the Lahore gate. The Hindu went to hell, the Khan received five wounds, and among his clientele (birādari) some Mughals were wounded. Iftikhār Khan, Khan-i-Sāmān, was ordered to make a review of camels, cows, and mules twice every year. On Saturday, the 2nd October/16th Jamad A, after the Emperor had sat down in the audience hall, Multafat Khan, Himmat Khan, and Ruhullah Khan were conversing together, when Dildār, son of Ulfat Khan (Muhammad Tāhir) and grandson of Daulat Khan, who bore ill will to Multafat Khan, suddenly struck his sword on the back of the Khan with both his hands. As soon as he faced round, the assailant struck three other blows, Multafat Khan received them on

his shield, and thrust at him with his sword. Meantime Himmat Khan struck at him with his sword, Fazhullah Khan, Mir Tuzuk hit him on the head with a rod. Getting perplexed and [89] receiving blows with sticks from Bihramand Khan and others, the assailant ran up to the marble stool. Jamil Beg Khawās who used to fan the Emperor with a chāmar stabbed him in the armpit with a dagger. He was despatched, and his corpse was taken up and thrown outside. The men of the left hand group (dangal 1-chap) and the slaves of that day's guard, both high and low, were degraded in rank. Two kror dam from the clakla of Hisār which had been assigned as jāgir to Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam was granted as in'ām and instead of it a jāgir was assigned to him in the Deccan

On Monday, the 11th October/25th Jamad A it was learnt that when four gharis of the night had passed, a star on the east shot out of the sky and fell towards the west lighting up houses, as with moonlight, and then a sound like the rumbling of thunder was heard By the gracious favour of the Emperor J'afar Khan was ordered to visit the gardens of Agharābād and Nulbāri, and he did so

On Monday, the 26th October/10th Jamad S, began the 52nd solar year of the Emperor's life Festivity, presents from and to princes and grandees [90] Islam Khan was presented with 100 pieces of gold-embroidery Fazlullah Khan and Hazbar Khan conducted Shadman Khwaia the messenger of Balkh from the door of the ghusalkhana He presented the respects of Subhan Quli Khan and received a robe and 10 000 rupees Safi Khan was sent as Subahdar of Orissa vice Tarbiyat Khan On Sunday and Monday 31st October and 1st November/15th and 16th Jamad S the Emperor visited the tombs of Humayun Shaikh Nızamuddın Aulıa and Khwaja Qutbuddın Ballıtıar Kakı Tushi Rewards in cash were given to the attendants of the three shrines and they showed the sacred relics Muhammad Yar, son of Itiqad Khan was first appointed a 4-sads Ali Akbar messenger of the king of Golconda had audience, and offered a tribute of 1 000 mohars and 15 elephants Mir Shihabuddin son of Abid Khan came to the Court from Vilayet the Khan presented a shield ornamented with enamelled flowers The Mir was made a 3-sadi (70 tr) Khwaja Muhammad Y agub, about whom [91] something will be written afterwards narrated to the author "Subhan Qulı Khan took me with him on a visit to his melon ground

Rustam Bé Atāliq and I were sitting together on one side, when Mir Shihabuddin came to me and said, "My father calls me, but I am not getting my master's permission to go" At this time the Ataliq and I supported this request saying that a letter might be kept written so that after the permission was given there might not be the delay of writing. We went to him at the time of his meal, made the request, and got his permission On that occasion Shihābuddin, too, presented to the Khan some pieces of shawl sent by his father The letter received the royal seal and the Khan offered prayers for his journey When he had gone some steps, the Khan called him back and said, "You are going to Hindustān where you will become a big man. I hope you will not forget me."

THE EMPEROR'S JOURNEY TO AGRA FOR PUTTING DOWN REBELS

On Sunday, the 28th November, 1669/14th Rajab, the imperial tents [92] were pitched near the Jamunā, and the army set out towards Agra at the appointed hour The Emperor hunted on most of the days of the journey Saturday, the 4th December /20th Rajab, while riding out to hunt, he learnt the circumstances of the rebellion in the villages of Rewara, Chandarkha, and Sarkhud By order of the Emperor Hasan 'Alı Khan attacked them fought up to noon with bows and muskets, and then, being unable to resist any longer, many of them performed the jauhar of their women, and rushed to fight at close quarters, many of the imperialists including the companions of Hasan 'Alı Khan attaıned martyrdom, while 300 of the infidels went to hell and 250 persons, male and female, were made prisoners The Khan returned to the Emperor at sunset and reported on the battle The prisoners were ordered to be made over to Sayyıd Zaın-ul-'Abıdın, jagırdar of the place

Saf Shikan Khan faujdar of Mathura, came to inter-An order was issued that he should appoint 200 horsemen from among his servants to guard the crops of the villages and to prevent the soldiers from oppressing any one or taking any child prisoner Nāmdar Khan, faujdar of Mui adabad, came to interview, by command. He offered 100 mohars, 1,000 rupees and two black-hawks -- Hasan 'Alı Khan was appointed faujdar of Mathura-vice Saf Shikan Khan, [93] and made a commander of 3,500 zat (2,000 tr) and was given a robe, a sword, a horse Amānullah, son of Alawardi Khan 'Alamgirshāhi, the faujdār of the environs of Agra got an increment of 300 troopers and was ordered to help the aforesaid Khan Under the Khan were placed 3,000 barqāndāz troopers, 1,000 archers, 1 000 musketeers 1 000 rocket men, 25 pieces of cannon, 1 000 beldars and 1,000 tabardars (pioneers and sappers) Hushdar Khan Lovernor of Agra came to interview

On Wednesday, the 15th December/1st Shaban a letter accompanied by 1,000 mohars was received from Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam giving news of the birth of a son to the daughter of Rup Singh Rāthor The child was named Daulatāfza, a letter and jewels worth 100 000 rupees were sent to the child and its parents On Friday, the 31st December/17th Shaban the Emperor visited the tombs of Shāh Jahān and Mumtāz uz zamani and presented 44 000 rupees to the officers of the tombs on behalf of himself and the two princes

On Saturday the 1st January 1670/18th Shaban the

Emperor took up his residence in the palace of Agra fort
Goklä Jät, the accursed rebel and the ring leader of
the disturbance in the country of Tilpat who was the cause

the disturbance in the country of Tilpat who was the cause of the killing of 'Abdun Nabi Khan and had plundered the pargana of S'adabād, [94] was captured through the valour and efforts of Hasan 'Ah Khan and his peshkar Shaikh Raziuddin. The Khan sent him and his comrade Sonki to the Emperor in charge of Shaikh Qawm. By imperial order his limbs were hacked off one after another in the chabutra of the kotwah. His son and daughter were made over to Jawāhir Khan nazir for being brought up (as Muslims). The daughter was married to Shah Quli Chelah (slave), an intimate servant of high rank. The son became a memoriser of the Qurān with the name of Fazil and in the opinion of the Emperor surpassed in correctness all other memorisers, and he had the happiness of hearing His Majesty's chanting of the Qurān.

Shall Raziuddin a very learned and high born man of Bhāgalpur in Bihār was among the scholars engaged in compiling the Fatawa i Alamgiri and got a daily stipend of three rupees. He had many other accomplishments such as military skill administrative capacity pleasantness of speech, and knowledge about most places. His ments were

reported to the Emperor by Qāzı Muhammad Husaın Jaunpurı, Censor of the Court, and Bakhtāwar Khan a personal attendant. He was given the rank of a sadı and gradually through the help of Hasan 'Alı Khan, rose to be an Amır and then a Khan and did splendid services. At last he sank into sleep in the cradle of death [95]

CHAPTER XIII

THIRTEFATH YEAR OF THE REIGN (1080 1 H)

19th January, 1670-1st January 1671

On Thursday, 27th January /15th Ramzan, the justi loving Emperor ordered that complainants should not excluded from the side of the window of darsan the hare officers were to draw up their petitions by means of rop and show them to His Majesty During this month Rumzan abounding in miracles the Emperor as t promoter of justice and overthrower of mischief as a know of truth and destroyer of oppression as the zephyr of the garden of victory and the reviver of the faith of the Prophe issued orders for the demolition of the temple situated i Mathura, famous as the Dehra of Kesho Rai In 1 sho time by the great exertions of his officers, the destruction of this strong foundation of infidelity was accomplished an on its site a lofty mosque was built at the expenditure of a large sum. This temple of folly was built by that gros idiot Birsingh Deo Bundela Before his accession to the throne the Emperor Jahangir was displeased with Shaik! Abul Fazl [96] This infidel became a royal favourite by slaying him and after Jahangir's accession was rewarded for this service with the permission to build the temple which he did at an expense of thirty three lakhs of rupees

Praised be the august God of the faith of Islam, that in the auspicious reign of this destroyer of infidelity and turbulence such a wonderful and seemingly impossible work was successfully accomplished. On seeing this instance of the strength of the Emperor's faith and the grandeur of his devotion to God the proud Rajas were stifled and in imazement they stood like images facing the wall. The idols, large and small set with costly jewels which had been set up in the temple, were brought to Agra and buried under the steps of the mosque of the Begam Sahib, in order to be continually trodden upon. The name of Mathura was changed to Islamabad.

On 12th February, 1670 the day of Id the Emperor rode out on a huge elephant with Prince Muhammad 'Azam seated behind him and dismounted at the Idgāh

[97] Next day, he sat on the throne of gold presented by Amirul-umārā 'Alı Mardān Khan and placed in the middle of the hall of the palace. Princes Muhammad 'Azam and Akbar received robes. 'Umdat-ul-mulk J'afar Khan got an increment of 1,000 troopers and I kror of dam as reward Raja Rām Singh, who was a 4-hazāri (4,000 troopers on condition of serving in Assām. Kumār Kishan Singh, son of Rām Singh, was given a jewelled turban. Hasan 'Alı Khan's conditional rank of 1,500 was made unconditional, and he was granted kettle-drums. Āshraf Khan and Himmat Khan were promoted by 500 troopers, Mir Taqı was made a 3-hazāri, Multafat Khan and Mughal Khan were promoted by 500, and so made 2-hazāris

Sazāwai Khan and Fazlullah Khan were each given 100 troopers Bakhshi-ul-mulk Asad Khan and Faizullah Khan were presented with two riding horses of great speed 'Abdur Rahman Sultan and Bahram Sultan each got 10,000 rupees as reward Shādmān Khwāja, ambassadoi of Balkh got leave to depart, with 25,000 rupees in cash, a robe, a jewelled sword worth 5,000 rupees, an elephant with a silver saddle, a flowered shawl, 150 pieces of cannon, Aghābām turban, and Gujrāti fota of the same value, his followers received 10,000 tupees as reward Muhammad 'Abid, son of Zāhid Khan Panjābi got the rank of 12-hazāri (300 tr) [98] and the title of Nawazish Khan Darab Khan, darogha of the Emperor's own musket-room, became darogha of the ghusalkhana mee 'Abdullah Khan bayutāt of Agra thus reported the price of grain to the Emperor fine Sukhdās rice at 14 seers, wheat 35 seers, pulse I md 2 seers, ghee (raughan) 4 seers, for a tupee and the prices of other articles were also according to this standard.

On Sunday, the 27th March 1670/15th Zil Q, the 54th lunar year of the Emperor's life began Festive decorations were suspended. The officers of the band-room were ordered that the music of the ceremony which used to be played all day was (henceforth) to be played after the passing of one prahar, as at the festivity on Sundays Bakhtāwar Khan, dārogha of the khawāses, was presented with a dagger having a crystal handle. Sayyid Āinjad Khan, son of Mir Sayyid Muhammad Qanauji, was appointed Censor of the imperial camp vice Qāzi Muhammad Husain, deceased

The courtiers who used to salute each other by raising the hand to the head, were now ordered to say [simply]

On Wednesday, 20th April/9th Zil H, Mulla 'Abdul 'Azız 'Izzat, son of Mulla 'Abdul Rashıd Akbarabadı had [99] audience in the mosque through the mediation of Himmat Khan and Bakhtawar [cor] Khan He after acquir ing knowledge of both the traditional and rational branches of learning alike and attaining to the high rank of a master of all the sciences, was spending his days in a life of seclusion in his house contented with a daily stipend of three rupees only, and never bowed his head down in supplication to any of the powerful grandees As fortune had destined him for celebrity and advancement his great intellectual nowers, wisdom, mastery of meaning, elegance of language, sound understanding and agreeable nature judicious speech and power of devising plans became the cause of his being taken up for training and favour at the Court of the Emperor, who discovers and discerns all merit. The Shaikh at first got a mansab of 400 a robe, 5 horses a sword a dagger, a spear, a decorated palks and other articles On the fourth day, when the grants were reported a second time for confirmation he got an increment of 100 (30 tr) and the post of darogha i are i mukarrar vice Lutfullah Khan He was elevated by being given the right of private andience, and that of not having to raise his hand to his head before anybody. - salāni alek being enough for him

News came from the Deccan that Shivāji after seizing the fort of Purandur had captured the qiladār Raziuddin Bakhtāwar Khan issued orders to the diwāni officers that they should report to the Emperor the income and expenditure at the end of the year and should bring to the ghusal khāna (every) Wednesday the registers of the Diwāns of the tankhwa and the Crown land departments 'Ināyet Khan reported that since the reign of Shāh Jahān the public expenditure had exceeded the income by 14 lakhs of rupees. It was ordered that the privy purse (khālsa) income should be fixed at four krores of rupees and the expenditure the same. After looking over the accounts of disbursements. His Majesty retrenched many items of the expenditure of

the Emperor the Princes and the begams

It was reported that Hasan 'Alı Khan was sparing no exertion in slaving and capturing the infidel rebels, plun

dering their houses, destroying their families and demolishing their strong forts, and had planted Shāh Muhammad Nawāz, Sidam Baluch, Shaikh Raziuddin, L'al Muhammad, Nazar Muhammad and others in full control over the mahāls of the zamindān, he was ordered to come to Court On Wednesday, the 6th April/25th Zil Q, he had audience and was highly praised On Saturday, the 9th April, 1670/28th Zil Q, news came from Delhi of the death of Badrunnisā Begam, daughter of the Emperor The father greatly loved her for her Rābi'a-like piety, memorisation of the Quran, good character and manners

News came that Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam had been instigated by flatterers to act in a self-willed and independent manner [101] The Emperor's letters of advice producing no effect, he summoned the Prince's mother, Nawāb Bāi from Delhi, in order to send her to her son for bringing him back to the right path if any trace of recalcitrancy was found in him Iftikhār Khan was sent to the Prince, with a verbal message of mingled kindness and reproach The Khan speedily went to his destination and discharged his mission. As the Prince's character was full of devotion to the Emperor and the reports against him were utterly false, he replied very submissively, expressing grief and regret His Majesty, therefore, renewed his favour to the Prince, and became very angry with Iftikhār Khan for his erroi of judgment Khan returned he and his brother Multafat Khan [102] were deprived of their ranks and titles Sher Beg, macebearer, conducted Sultan Husain across the river of Attock and brought Mir Ibrāhim Husain to Lahore, under his strict escort (sazāwalı) Āshraf Khan was made Khān-isāmān vice Iftikhār Khan and Mughal Khan was made dārogha of the macebearers vice Ashraf Khan Hāji Ahmad S'aid Khan became dārogha of 'arz-i-mukairai vice Mughal On Tuesday, the 29th March/17th Zil Q, news came that Dilir Khan after reinstating the zamindar of Deogarh in his zamındarı had returned to Aurangabad Nawāb Bāi, summoned from Delhi, reached Sikandāra on Thursday, the 13th April/2nd Zil Q Prince Muhammad Akbar, Bakhshiulmulk Asad Khan and Bahramand Khan advanced to meet her, and conducted her to the imperial. harem

On Thursday, the 21st April/10th Zil H, occurred the 'Id-uz-zuha The Emperor visited the 'Idgah for prayer

and sterifice Dost Muhammad, the Khutba reader was rewarded with a robe and 500 rupees and Ni'amat Khan Bakawal (superintendent of the kitchen) with a kinfe according to the fixed custom. Robes and jewelled daggers were sent by a inacebearer to Dilir Khan and Daud Khan Haji Shafi'i Khan became diwan of the Deccan vice Mukar rumat Khan, Kifayet Khan diwan i tan vice the Hāji, Shah khwaja dirogha of the departments of branding and muster (dugh and lashiha) vice Kifayet Khan Nawab Bai started for Aurangabad. She was commanded to spend two days it Gwalior with her eldest son Muhammad Sultan who was imprisoned there [103] Sarbuland Khan was to conduct their to Prince Muhammad Mu azzam in the Deccan and then return

As the illness of 'Umdatulmulk J'afar Khan became severer the Emperor twice went to his house at first to comfort the sick man and the second time to condole with his relatives On Friday the 6th May, 1670/25th Zil H he died In his character were united all graciousness of heart and grandeur of behaviour. The Emperor mourned the death of such a devoted servant, and ordered that for 8 days 120 dishes of food should be sent to the bereaved family Princes Muhammad 'Azam and Akbar were ordered to go to the houses of his sons, Namdar Khan and Kamgar Khan to make the customary inquiries and to console their mother Farzana Begam Special robes were sent to both and a tora to her Akbar after having raised them from the posture of mourning, brought them both to the Emperor who honoured them with jewelled daggers having pearl ilagas and many other favours and kind words Mourning robes were presented to Bakshuulmulk Asad Khan, Mırza Bahram, and his sons Bahramand Khan and Sharfuddin to Iltifat Khan, Muftakhar, Mufakhar Raushandil and others Asad Khan was appointed deputy diwan and pre sented with a jewelled dagger and two packets of betels from the Emperor's own hand The Emperor ordered that [on Asad Khan's letter of appointment | should be written through the mediation (rasalatun) of Prince Md Mu'azzam [104] and that the seal of the Prince should be affixed by Dianat Khan On Sunday the 8th May/27th Zil H Ekkatāz Khan was sent as envoy to Bukhārā and presented with a horse worth 100 mohars an elephant worth 4 000 rupees, a jewelled dagger a jewelled sword a jewelled jigha. He was a 14 hazan (500 tr.) and now got an more

ment of 500 (100 tr) For 'Abdul 'Azız, the king of Bukhārā, there were sent with him, besides presents and rarities of Hindustan worth more than 2 lakhs of supees, five tāzi and four Cutchi horses Mughal Khan was made Mirtuzuk vice Ekkatāz Khan and given a gold mace ('asa), Mubariz Khan became governor of Multan vice Lashkar Khan, Jahangır Qulı Khan was appointed nāib (deputy) of Muhammad 'Azam in the faujdarship of the chakla of Sambal A farmān was sent to Muhammad Amin Khan appointing him Subahdar of Kabul wice Mahabat Khan, Tarbiyat Khan was made Subahdar of Oudh vice Fidai Khan who came to the Court and was sent to reside at Gwalioi, as was considered expedient R'adandaz Klian, dārogha of the topkhāna accompanying the Emperoi, Raja Devi Singh, Yahia Khan Deccani, Sayyid 'Ali Akbar, Rumi Khan, Kaitalb Khan Miwati, Badi 'Sultan of Balkh, Mırzā Sadı uddin, son of Mırzā Sultān, and his companions were rewarded with promotion, robes, horses, swords, and [105] daggers, according to their ranks Jani Khan was made nāib of R'adāndāz Khan, in the dārogha-ship of the topkhāna accompanying the Emperoi

On Thursday, the 4th August, 1670/27th Rabi A, a son was born to Muhammad 'Azam and Jahanzeb Banu Begam The Emperor named him Bidar-bakht, and presented him with a cap worth 10,000 rupees, and the Begam with a pearl necklace worth 10,000 rupees, and a smarant worth 7,000 rupees Amanat Khan, alias Sayyid Ahmad Khattāb got the title of Khan, and was sent to Bengal as 'Abdullah Khan of Kāshghai, after visiting the holy cities, returned to the Court, he was presented with I lakh of rupees from the revenue of Surāt and Mālwa News came that Danishmand Khan, Mir Bakhshi, the nāzım and qıladar of Delhi, had died on Monday, the 18th July/10th Rabi A He was one of the greatest scholars of the age and his life was devoted to charity and piety Lashkar Khan, Subahdar of Multan, who had come to Court, was appointed the first Bakhshi vice the deceased; he got a lift of 1000 (same tr) on his rank of 4-hazāri (same tr) Himmat Khan, the third Bakhshi, was made second Bakhshi vice Asad Khan, Namdar Khan was appointed Subahdār of Delhi, and Mu'atamad Khan commandant of the fort Sayyid Āmir Khan who [106] after resigning his rank was living in Delhi, died on 3rd September, 1670/27th Rabi S The Emperor gave robes

of mourning and words of consolation to Muhammad Ibrāhim, Muhammad Ishāq and Muhammad Y'aqub, the sons of his brother Shaikh Mir News came from Peshāwar that Muhammad Amin khan had reached that place on Wednesday, the 17th August/10th Rabi S Riding coats for the rainy season were presented to Asad Khan, Murtaza khan, 'Abid Khan, Hasan 'Ali Khan, Tahir Khan, and other officers at Court and the provinces Hāji Ahmad Sayyid Khan was appointed diwan of Begam Sahib Lutfullah Khan was appointed darogha of arz i mukarrar sice him Faizullah Khan was made faujdār of Sambal tice the agents of Prince 'Azam and Sarbuland Khan was made Qushbegi (master of the hunt) vice him

On Saturday, the 29th October/24th Jamad S [the 53rd] solar year of the Emperor s life began He sat on the throne of gold * * * R'adandāz Khan who had gone with Fidai Khan was summond to the Court and had the

honour of audience

It was learnt that on Sunday, the 2nd October 1670/27th Jamad.A the accursed Shiva had attacked Surat burnt and plundered the town for some hours, and then retired A letter with 1000 mohars came from Prince Muhammad Mu azzam announcing the birth of a son to him and Nurunnisa Begam [107] the daughter of Sanjar Naiam i-Sani Mirza Muhammad the agent of the Prince presented them to the Emperor who gave the baby the name of Rafi ush shan Sarbuland Khan who had gone to the Deccan as escort of Nawab Bar now returned and had audience Mahabat Khan the ex-Subahdar of Kabul came and had audience the Emperor remarking. You are welcome On Monday the 28th November/25th Rajab he was sent on the Deccan expedition, and presented with a robe with half sleeve and collar, a horse with gold trapjungs und an elephant with lalair His son Bahram tot a jewelled dagger Rao Rup Singh, son of Rao Karn Raja Amar Singh son of Kishan Singh Dilir Himmat, brother and Suhrab brother's son of Mahabat, and other officers of that Khan's army received presents

It was ordered that ribbon frills in the European style should not be attached to the boats and palkis of the princes

and peers

CHAPTER XIV

FOURTEENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN 1081 A H

2nd January,—21st December, 1671

With the month of Ramzan commenced the 14th year of the reign in the [108] On Wednesday the 1st February, occurred the 'Id-ul-fitr After returning from the mosque, the Emperor sat on the throne in the

Asad Khan was made the first Bakhshi vice Lashkar Khan deceased Hasan 'Alı Khan, after receiving a 10be and a horse, hastened back to his post Muhammad Sharif, envoy of Bukhārā, got a present of 25,000 rupees and a robe and a horse with gold trappings Shaikh 'Usman, the agent of the Sharif of Mecca, placed before the Emperor his master's presents consisting of two Arab horses, a silver sword-belt and baz He received a jewelled dagger, 10,000 rupees and a gold coin weighing 100 mohars and a rupee weighing 100 rupees Twenty thousand rupees were entrusted to him for the Sharif of Mecca Sayyid Muhammad Rumi, the envoy of Abyssinia, presented his master's gifts At his first interview he got a robe, and at his leave taking a robe and 10,000 rupees Yalangtosh Khan Bahadur was given a sword, a dagger, a spear, and a shield Iradat Khan was made Akhta Begi vice Ruhullah Khan, S'ādat Khan Qāqshāl who had come to the Court, went back to his post

On Monday, 10th April/10th Zil H, took place the 'Id-uz-zuha Five thousand mohars were presented to Purhunar Bānu Begam and Gauharārā Begam each On Monday, the 12th June/14th Safar, Muhammad Āmin Khan reached the Court by command [109], Lutfullah Khan met him at the gate of the fort and Āsad Khan at the door of the ghusalkhāna He presented four Arab and 'Iraqi horses The Emperor gave him a robe and made kind inquiries On Sunday, the 21st May/22nd Muharram Nauras Bānu Begam, wife of Shāh Nawāz Khan Safavi died Mourning robes were presented to Dārāb Khan and Khānazād Khan, the sons of Mirzā Ābu S'aid, sister's son of Nur Jahān Begam The Amir-ul-umārā's tribute of 2 lakhs 30,000 rupees, consisting of elephants and other

presents and rare things, was placed before the Emperor Shādkām Chela, an old slave of His Majesty, died Posts and dresses were conferred on his relatives Maharaja Jaswant Singh was appointed thānahdar of Jamrud, and given a overcoat for the rainy season (farghal i bārāni) and a horse worth 500 moliars Bisrām Khan the chief musician died Robes were given to Bhupat, his son, and Khush hāl Khan (musician) Ziraddin Husain Yadgar Husain, and Muhammad Husain daughter's sons of Ashraf Khan had audience and were given robes. As they were very stout the Emperor ordered that one of them was to be brought to the Court every day

Muhammad Alı Beg son of Amırulumara Alı Mardan Khan came from Persia, had audience, and received a robe a sword, a sewelled dagger with a pearl ilaga and 10 000 rupees On Saturday the 29th July/2nd Rabi S Muhammad brother of Asalat Khan who had newly arrived from Persia, interviewed the Emperor [110] and received a jewelled dagger and 7 000 rupees. Hushdar Khan was appointed nazim of Burhanpur vice Daud Khan who after interview was made nazim of Allahabad vice Mir Khan and received a special robe a horse with gold trappings and an elephant with bronze trappings Khan, daftardar of Khalsa (crownlands) got the faujdari of the chakla of Bareli Amanat Khan alias Mirak Mu'inuddin got his post and an inkpot of crystal stone Muhammad Yar, son of Itiqad Khan got a robe on his marriage with the daughter of Farrukh Fal Muhammad All Beg got the title of Aliquli Khan and the rank of 2-hazārī (same tr) a standard, kettle-drums and gold and silver articles worth 30 000 rupees

Yahıa Pāshā who had been appointed by the ruler of Turkey to govern Basra vice Husain Pasha did not occupy his office owing to some change in his fortunes came to the imperial Court, and received a special robe with buttons of gold thread, a jewelled sword and dagger 10,000 rupees and the rank of 1500 (700 tr) Barāni (rain) robes were presented to the princes and the grandees high and low at the Court and in the provinces Abid Khan was made Subahdār of Multan vice Mubāriz Khan On Monday, the 11th September 1671/17th Jamad A Rushanārā Begam the Emperor s sister died [111] She had noble qualities and admirable traits, and greatly loved her brother The Emperor gave away large sums in charity for the benefit

of her soul, and conferred favours on her male and female servants

Muhammad Amin Khan was invited to Court to take up the duties of Wazii Tiue, he was unique in counsel and honesty, but his nature contained the vile characteristics of self-will and pride. As by making some improper requests, he alienated the equable mind of the Emperor, on Friday, the 15th September/21st Jamad A, he was sent to Kabul as Subahdai, and presented with a special robe, a dagger set with jasper and having a pearl 'ilaqa, and a tall elephant, with silver trappings. Iftikhar Khan's and Multafat Khan's faults were pardoned and they were restored to their ranks [112] and titles The first was sent to Kashmir as Subahdar vice Saif Khan who had turned hermit and been removed from his rank. The second was appointed giladar of Delhi vice Mu'atamad Khan On Thursday, the 28th September/4th Jamad S, Mir Khan, the ex-Subahdar of Allahabad had audience Lutfullah Khan received a robe on his marriage with the daughter of Lashkar Khan Kāmgār Khan was sent to the Amir-ulumārā Sufi Bahadui was sent as envoy to Anusha Khan, ruler of Urganj, and received a robe, a jewelled jigha, a sword, a quiver, and a shield Nāmdār Khan was appointed Subalidar of Agra and Mu'atamad Khan commandant of Agra fort The Emperor learnt that 'Abdullah Khan after returning from his pilgrimage, was coming to the imperial court, he bestowed on him 1,000 mohais and a silver tray and cover

THE EMPEROR'S JOURNEY FROM AGRA TO DELHI.

On Thursday, the 2nd November/10th Rajab, he started from Agra, hunting on the way He reached Khizrābād on Thursday the 23rd/1st Shaban On Sunday, the 26th/4th Shaban, after visiting the tombs of Khwāja Qutbuddin and Shaikh Nasiruddin, the Lamp of Delhi [113] and presenting 1500 rupees to the residents of the two places, he arrived at the palace On Monday, the 18th December, 1671/26th Shaban, Prince Muhammad 'Azam sent 1000 mohars on account of the birth of a son to his begam He was named Jawān-bakht Kāmyāb Khan Safavi, who had been dismissed, was reinstated in his tank 'Abdullah Khan who had arrived at Delhi before the Emperor, was conducted to the Court by Āsad Khan and

Buhramand Khan and had the honour of being received in audience 2,000 mohars and fifty trays of food were sent to his house. Dismissed Mir Khan was restored to his rank, Mir Mahmud got the rank of a hazāri (400 tr.) and the title of 'Aqidat Khan. On 16th December/24th Shaban, the Emperor received the peshkash of Muhammad Amin Khan consisting of 280 pearls worth 1 lakh and 5,000 rupees and 50 horses

were ordered to set out against these infidels. When the imperial troops reached the place, the enemy resolving to fight advanced inspite of their lack of war materials [116] they acted the battle described in old Hindu books called in the Hindu tongue the Mahabharat which means the sliving of elephants in the field. The Muslim heroes charged and reddened their pitiless swords in the blood of the rebels. A terrible battle was fought. R'adandaz Khan Hannd Khan and Yahiya Khan greatly distinguished them selves. Many of the Muslims were slain and many others wounded At last the enemy took to flight and many of them were slain by the victors in the pursuit, very few escaped, our generals won the victors and the tract was cleared of the infidels The victors were granted audience and congritulated by the Emperor R'adandaz Khan was given the title of Shuja'et Khan and made a 3500 (2000 tr) Himid Klinn, Yalua Klian, Rumi Klian Najib Khan and all other warriors high and low got promotions and robes
On Friday the 29th March/10th Zil H occurred the

'Id uz zuha [117] Disaster to Muhammad Amin Khan

and retreat from the Khyber Pass * * *

Mulimmad Amin Khan wanted to go to govern Kabul and encounter the turbulent Afghans On Sunday the 21st April 1672/3rd Muharram though he had got the news that the Afghans had blocked the pass of klivber before the day on which he had planned to cross it he proceeded on without paying any freed to it or considering it necessary to dislodge them At the time of crossing the same disorder took place among his troops which had happened in Akbar s time to Hakim Abul Fath, Zain Khan Kokah and Raja Birbal The Afghans crowded on all sides, and began to hurl arrows and stones The troops were scattered and [118] the horses elephants and men were mixed up in confusion At this crisis although several thousand men had lost their lives by falling from the summit of the hills into the abyss, Muhammad Amin Khan from his high sense of honour wanted to sacrifice his life in fight But his servints seized his bridle and brought him away from the place of danger After losing Abdullah Khan the young and faithful son of the Khan and without gaining any honour he galloped back to Peshawar in a wretched condition The Emperor got this news on the 30th April/12th Muharram

On Saturday the 18th May/30th Muharram Fidan Khan left Lahore for Peshawar On 8th May, 1672/20th Muhamam, Sarbuland Khan was made Subahdār of Agra vice Nāmdār Khan, Multafat Khan dārogha of the imperial retinue vice Sarbuland Khan Faizullah after receiving a special dress and a horse with gold trappings, started for Morādābād 'Abdullah Khan received 20,000 rupees, Saif Khan, the 'hermit' was granted interview, a sword, and restoration to his rank.

MARRIAGE OF MUHAMMAD AKBAR WITH SALIMA BĀNU BEGAM

She was the daughter of Sulaimān Shukoh, whom Gauhar-Ārā Begam had adopted [119] as her daughter and brought up The Prince got a present of 4 lahks of rupees, a special robe with half-sleeves, a kalgi, a jewelled dhup, a necklace and a sahia (bridegroom's veil) of pearls, and two Arab and 'Irāqi horses On Tuesday, the 18th June, 1672/2nd Rabi A, the knot was tied in the mosque, through the agency of 'Abdul Wahhāb, the chief Qāzi Five lakhs of rupees were fixed as the marriage-portion Everyone present pronounced benediction The Prince, after five gharis of night, set out on horseback in a grand procession, Muhammad 'Azam, Bakhshi-ul-mulk Āsad Khan, Mir Khan, Nāmdār Khan and other high grandees, accompanied him On both sides of the road from the Delhi gate to the mansion of the Begam, wooden structures were set up for illumination

News arrived that Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam was coming to interview the Empeior On Thuisday, the 25th July/9th Rabi S, [120] he had audience, and received a special robe, a sword with jewelled trapping, a pearl necklace, an aisi set with jewels, and I lakh of rupees Princes Muhammad Mu'izuddin and Muhammad 'Azim [-ud-din] received neck-pendent

On Sunday, 15th September/2nd Jamad S, Muhammad Sālih, son of Khwāja Tāhii Naqshbandi was married to Āsāisli Bānu Begam, daughter of Murād Bakhsh, and ieceived a robe, a horse with gold trappings, a jewelled dagģei and a kalgi, and a female elephant The knot was tied in the presence of Sarbuland Khan, Qāzi Abdul Wahhāb, and Mullā Muhammad Yʻaqub

[&]quot;'Hermit' is a Persian word conventionally used to mean 'retired to private life and unemployment after voluntarily resigning some public office,'

On Wednesday, the 9th October/26th Jamad S Wijir khin and Muhammad Tahir, the latter an old and devoted screant, died. Mir khan got the subahdārship of Malwi vice Wazir khan. Sarbuland khan became second Baklishi, aice Himmat khan who got Sarbuland's post viz subahdari of Agra. Mughal khan became Qushbegi vice him (Himmat). Muhammad Tahir, an old servant of the period before the l'imperor s accession, who held the diwām of the household of Hasan. Ali Khan be command was recused of the sin of cursing the first three caliphs According to the canonical law and the insistence of the clinef of the Ulemā, Mulla. Auz Wajih he was beheaded on the 3rd November/22nd Rajab.

Izid Bakhsh, the son of Murad Bakhsh, who had been brought to the Court from the prison of Gwalior was mirried on Wednesday the 27th November/16th Shaban to Mihrunnisa Begam the Emperor's daughter, in the presence of Oazi Abdul Wahhab Shaikh Nizām Bakhtāwar

Khan and Darbar Khan [121]

Multafat Khan who had gone to Gwalior to bring Muhammad Sultan and Sipilir Shukoh had audience on Sunday the 8th December 1672/27th Shaban Places were assigned in the fort of Salimgarh for the residence of both On Tuesday, the 10th December /29th Shaban the Emperor visited the house of Prince Muhammad Mu azzam a gold embroidered carpet and other things were spread as foot cloth from the tower near the bridge gate of Salimgarh to the mansion of the Prince Prince Muhammad Albar was a 20-hazarı (2 000 tr) he now got a promotion of 2 000 zat On Thursday the 5th December/24th Shaban Khwaja Jawahir Khon treasurer (tahvildar) of the Emperor s private jewel department died. He was an old slave of the Emperor and very kind to the poor the 18th May /30th Muharram, Fidai Khan started from Lahore for Peshawar Muhammad Amin Khan was appointed Subahdar of Ahmadābād Gujrat on the 11th June, and degraded from a 6 hazārı (5000 tr) to a 5 hazarı (same tr.) He was ordered to go to his post with out being grunted an interview. Mahabat Khan who had come to the Emperor at Agra and been appointed on the Decean expedition was in view of his connection with the Afghans ordered not to come to Court.

Islam Khan, on account of his delay in summoning to India his family and third son Mukhtar Beg had been

dismissed and forbidden the Court, and was staying at Ujjain At the prayer of 'Umdat-ul-mulk [122] Bahādui Khan, he was restored to his rank and appointed to the army of the Khan He summoned his son and family from Basrā.

CHAPTER \VI

SINTEFNTH VEAR OF THE REIGN 1083 A II

11th December 1672-20th November, 1678

On the 10th January /1st Shawwal took place the 'Id ul fitr, with rejoicing in the palace As usual the two halls of audience and ghusalkhana were decorated princes and courtiers attended at the palace to accompany the Emperor who went to the 'Idgah in a high chair [123] On Saturday, the 11th January /2nd Shawwal he sat on the throne in the palace hall Muhammad Mu azzam got a robe with half sleeves a pearl necklace, one lakh of rupees and elephant with gold trappings worth 5000 rupees Muhammad 'Azam got a robe with half sleeves Muliammad Akbar, a tora (jewelled turban-end)

Bakhshi ul mulk Asad Khan and other officers, great and small were rewarded with a variety of things such as newels, robes horses elephants and promotion of rank Muhammad Mu'azzam was a 20 hazari (15 000 tr.) now got a reward of three krors of dam and an increment of 10,000 (5,000 tr) Sultan Mu izzuddin who was getting a daily allowance of 150 rupees now received an increment of 50 rupees Sultan Muhammad Azım was getting 100 rupees daily it was now increased by 50 rupees Princes and grandees of the Court and the provinces sent beshkash worth about 50 lakhs of rupees. The envoy of Sikandar Adil Klian, Ling of Bijapur, presented jewels and embroiders worth four lakhs of rupees The envoy of Abdullah Outb-ul mulk king of Haidarabad, presented articles, gems and China ware vases of Golkonda Emperor ordered these presents to be considered as equi valent to three lakhs of rupees Bahadur Khan [124] became Subahdar of the Deccan vice the agents of Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam, and got the title of Khan Jahan Bahadur, a special robe and a jewelled dagger were sent to him through a mace bearer He was a 6-hazari (5,000 tr) do-āspā and seh āspā and now got an increment of 1 000 Mir Ibrāhim son in law of Safiyyah Bānu Begam s Kokah was given the faujdari of Miwat with the title of Kartalb Khan while Murshid Onli Khan became

dārogha of dāgh and tashiha in his place. Diānat Khan, who had no equal in the art of astrological calculations, "went to visit the celestral heavens". His sons, Diw-āfkan, Sher-āfkan and Rustam, got promotions and mourning robes

On Monday, the 16th December, 1672, the Emperor ordered that Dārāb Khan should bring Muhammad Sultān and Sipihr Shukoli into the khwābgāh (sleeping chamber) of His Majesty Both of them had audience after interview they received tobes and emetald sarpeches Muhammad Sultan was mairied to Dostdai Banu Begam, the daughter of Murad Bakhsh, and presented with a robe, a sword, a jewelled muttaka, and a horse with a jewelled saddle the khwābgāh the Emperor put a pearl chaplet on the Prince's head with his own hands and took him to the mosque The Qāzı-ul-quzāt Abdul Wahhāb, with Mullā Muhammad Y'aqub as his agent, and Mir Muhammad Qanauji and Mulla 'Auz Wajih as witnesses, tied the knot. Two lakhs of rupees were settled as the marriage-portion Shujā'ct Khan, Shaikh Nizām, [125] Darbār Khan, Bakhtāwar Khan and Khidmatgār Khan were present

On Thursday, 30th January, 1673/21st Shawwal, Zubdat-un-nisā Begam was married to Sipili Shukoh the son of Dārā Shukoh Four lakhs of rupees was fixed as the marriage-portion. The knot was tied in the mosque, in the presence of His Majesty, Qāzi 'Abdul Wahhāb, Mullā 'Auz Wajih, Mullā Y'aqub, Daibār Khan and Bakhtawār Khan Sipilir Shukoh was presented with a jewelled dagger, a jewelled sarpech, a pearl necklace and a pearl chaplet. Gauharārā Begam and Hāmida Bānu Begam,

arranged the marriage ceremonies

Iftikhār Khan, after iemoval from Kashmii, was sent to Peshāwai. Prince Muhammad Sultān got a yearly allowance of 12,000 rupees, Sipilii Shukoh of 6,000 iupees, and Izid Bakhsh of 4,000 rupees. On Tuesday, the 11th February, 1673/4th Zil Q, Saifullah, inspector (mushrif) of the Qushkhānah* reported that a hunt-superintendent (mir-shikai) dreamed in sleep that a man with a drawn sword was encountering him, and when he awoke he found himself wounded and his sword lying bare by him. On Sunday, the 23rd February/16th Zil Q, Prince

^{*} Qushkhāna—the place where beasts of prey (e.g., cheetah, falcon etc.) are kept

Muhammad Mu'azzam, by command, visited the tomb of Khwāja Qutbuddin, and presented 1000 rupees to the shrine On Tuesday, the 25th March/16th Zil H, Prince Muhammad Sultan too, visited the shrine, and presented 500 rupees On Monday, the 10th March/1st Zil H, Asad Khan resigned the post of deputy diwan [126] The Emperor ordered that Amanat Khan, the diwan of the Khalsa, and Kifayet Khan the diwan I tan, should affix their seals a little below that of the high diwan and transact the diwani affairs

Farjām Birlās had agreed to marry his daughter to his sister's son aged 15 or 14 But in the end the match was broken off on account of his sister being the greatest shrew of the age At this time he came to the Court after his removal from the faujdarı of Attock, and the sister instigated her son saying 'If you do not kill this shameless wretch in the Court I shall not give you a quittance for my milk Then flinging her veil at his head she cried out, Wear it and stay within doors' The son obeying his mother's command reached the place where Farjam was standing during the bustle and noise caused by the Emperor's taking his seat in the Hall of Audience slew him with one stab and then tried to run away. But he was captured and thrown into prison On Thursday the 19th March/4th Zil H, he was executed in accordance with the Qazi s decision at the reservoir of the jalaukhāna in front of the Hall of Audience in the presence of the heirs of the deceased iz his wife and his daughter who was married to 'Ali Quli

Birlas The Emperor had expressed a wish that they would renounce their right of blood but they did not agree The corpse was made over to his mother who was waiting at the

gate of the fort in a chariot (rath)

[127] On Wednesday the 19th March/10th Zil H occurred the Id uz zuha The Emperor went to the mosque for the two fold prayers of Id accompanied by the tour Princes and sacrificed a sheep Prince Muhammad Sultan sacrificed a camel by command During the return journey a mad man coming up to the equipage flung a stick. It hit the corner of the royal Sedan chair (takht) and fell on the Emperor s knee The macebearers arrested him But His Majesty ordered him to be released without doing him any mury

On Sunday the 23rd March/14th Zil H Kam Bakhsh was circumcised Man Singh, Maha Singh and Anup Singh, the sons of Rāi Singh, came to Court after their father's death and were granted audience, and received robes Mirzā Jān Minu-chehr, faujdār of Irich died The Emperor said, "I grant the māhi and marātib to Khan Jahān Bahādur He should get them made" Ruhullah Khan, son of Khalilullah Khan, became faujdār of Dhāmuni Bāqi Khan, bakhshi of the subah of the Deccan, died, and Murshid Quli Khan, got his place On Wednesday, the 23rd April, 1673/16th Muharram, news came that Mahābat Khan had started from Zafarbāgh near Peshāwar towards Kabul Sarbuland Khan was ordered to take charge of the records of the Wālāshāhi department, in addition to his own

On Monday, the 16th June/11th Rabi A, it was learnt that two hours before noon a halo appeared round

the sun like a rainbow and lasted for seven ghairs

On Friday, [128] the 18th July/13th Rabi S, Muhammad Mu'azzam's wife, the daughter of 'Abdul Mumin, died After returning from the Jam'a mosque, the Emperor paid a visit to the house of the Prince, read the $f\bar{a}tiha$, and then returned to the palace by boat Saturday, 2nd August/28th Rabi S, news came from the Deccan that Kırāt Sıngh, the son of [Mırza Raja] Jai Sıngh, had died On Wednesday, the 20th August/17th Jamad A, a son was born to Prince Akbar, and named 'Abdul Wahhāb On Wednesday, the 24th September/22nd Jamad S, a son was born to Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam, and named Khujistah Akhtar The alaim caused to the zamındar of Kumaon by the march of the imperial army across his kingdom, was removed by the mediation of Sayyid Murtaza Khan, and he was pacified He requested Hāmid Khan to conduct his son to the Court He did so on the 3rd October/2nd Rajab, and the prince at the time of his audience presented 1,000 mohars and 3,000 rupees as naza1, and got a robe News came from Persia that the cities of Nishāpur, Herāt, and Sabzawār, had sunk in the ground Khan Jahān Bahādur, after a forced march of 60 kos, severely defeated the rebel Shivan, took a large booty, and sent it with Dalpat Kumār [129] to the Emperor, who viewed the things on Wednesday, the 22nd October/21st Rajab The Khan showed a three-legged bagla (a kind of heion) brought from the hills of Kumaon Faizullah Khan came from Morādābād to interview Mahābat Khan neglected to chastise the Afghan rebels, and went to Kabul by a segret

understanding with them that neither side was to harm the other. The Emperor was highly displeased at this. On Monday, the 17th November/17th Shaban, Shuj'äet Khan was sent to punish the Afghans with a large army and plenty of war materials, and was presented with a special robe a jigha of jasper set with jewels, an Arab steed with gold trappings, and an increment of 500 zāt (same troopers) Sarfarāz Khan was made the nāib of the topkhana, Khid matgār Khan deputy qiladār and Darbār Khan, nāib of the ghusalkhāna. His (Darbār Khan's) followers too got robes, swords, horses, elephants and promotions

CHAPTER XVII

17th year of the reign 1084 A. II

30th November, 1673—18th November, 1674

[130] On the 30th December, the day of the 'Id-ul-fiti, the Emperor visited the mosque, presents, rewards, and promotions were given as usual Fortune led Mir Qawāmuddin, the Sadi of Peisia, and brother of Khalifa Sultan, the Wazir of the king of that country, to come to India On Sunday, the 4th January, 1674/6th Shawwal he had audience and received many favours, a special robe, a jewelled dagger with phul-katāra and pearl ilaga, a sword with a gold saz, a shield wrought with roses, a mace (asa), kalgi of Jasper, 10,000 rupees in cash, the rank of 3-hazāri (1,500 tr) and the title of Khan His son Sadruddin was given a 10be, a sword with a gold saz, and the rank of 700 (100 tr) Ibrāhim, the son of Shaikh Mir returned to the Court after a visit to Mecca and was restored to his rank of 1,500 (1,000 ti) Hakım Sālılı Khan died Mourning robes were presented to Hakım Muhasan, and to the other sons and relatives of the deceased [131] Muhammad 'Alı Khan, son of Tagarrab Khan was made darogha of the kukuāq-M11 'Abdui Rahmān, son of the late khānah vice him Islām Khan, was sent as an envoy to Haidarābād 8th March/10th Zil H, was the day of the 'Id-uz-zuha, when the Emperor visited the mosque for the two-fold prayers

SHUJ'ĀLT KHAN'S DEATH, THE EMPEROR GOES TO HASAN ĀBDĀL

The Emperor learnt that on Saturday, the 14th February/18th Zil Q, Shuj'āet Khan after crossing the Gundāb had drawn up his forces for crossing the kotāl (pass) of Kharāpa The Āfghāns, who were waiting for an opportunity, hemmed him round in the nairow pass Though the imperial troops fought valiantly and were untiring in their exertions, yet as Providence had willed it otherwise they failed to carry the day and Shuj'āet fell in the course of the fight The rest, who had saved their lives from the stone-showering Āfghāns, fled broken to Peshāwar The Emperoi

decided to go there in person [132], and started on the 7th April 1671/11th Muharram, for Hasan Abdal Himmat Khan was made darogha of the ghusalkhana and Saf Shikan Khan that of the topkhana area Shuj'aet Khan deceased Safi Khan nazim of Agra, was appointed nazim of Delhi Viu atamad Klian got the subalidars of Agra in addition to the gilidari of Agra fort | Faizullah Khan went back to Moradabad Ilitamam Khan darogha of buildings, and other ofneers of Delhi went back to their posts Qawamuddin Khan and his son were ordered to go to the Emperor after two months Shukh 'Abdul Aziz faujdar of the chakla of Sirland got the title of Dilawar Khan Sarbuland Khan was ordered to advance along the foot of the hills, with 2 500 troopers and the artillers. Namdar Khan having incurred the royal displeasure was removed from his rank and granted a pension of 4 000 rupees a year. Muhammad Silih son of Fidar Khan got the title of Khan and was sent to his father Rahmat Khan bayutat was sent to I there to arrange for celebrating the anniversary of the death of the Prophet Mir Khan son of Khahlullah Khan was removed from his rank for refusing to take up the fauidari of Irich Ism all Hut zamındar of Multan was sent back to his home on Tuesday the 23rd June/29th Rabi A and received the title of Khan and a horse

Iftikhar Khan and Aqidat Khan were sent to reinforce Fidut Khan in the expedition to Jummu [183] Raja Inavetullah zamindar of Rajāor was given leave to depart. On Fidux the 12th June/18th Rabi A Bakhshi ul mulk Surbuland Khan was sent to Peshāwar with Bad i Sultān Namdur Khan and a strong force On Sunday the 14th June/20th Rabi A Mahraja Jaswant Singh thānadār of Jamrud advancing from his charge had andience with the Imperor at Rāwalpindi and received a special robe and an arsi worth 7,000 rupees and at the time of departure a sword with jewelled sāz and an elephant with talair On Friday the 26th June/2nd Rabi S the Emperor reached [the palace at] Hasan Ābdāl

A charming anecdote is told of the virtue and kindness of His Majesty, the vice gerent of God the Giver. Two or three days after his arrival at the above place he visited the garden of Hasan Abdāl. The author's servants complained that under the wall of the palace an old man used to work a water mill which was turned by the water that issued from the garden and fell into a nālā. As the place was in

charge of the palace nazu's officers, they had closed the path of water As a consequence the people had difficulty in grinding flour, and the old man too found it hard to secure his livelihood [134] I reported the whole matter to Bakhtawar Khan, and he in his turn to the Emperor, who ordered him to go and personally open the water-course, and issued strict orders so that none should hinder the old man's work In accordance with the Emperor's order it was done At night, when the Khan returned to his quarters after 1½ prahais, His Majesty who was then seated at his table entrusted two dishes of food and five ashrafis to Shaikh Abul Khair, son of the great scholar and courtier Shaikh Nızām, sayıng, "Carry these to Bakhtāwar Khan, he will guide you to the house of the old man, as he may possibly know it Convey my salam to the poor man and beg his pardon saying (on my behalf), You are my neighbour, and my arrival has caused you hardship Pardon me '' The Shaikh came to the Khan, and after inquiries and exertions learnt from a footman that there was a village on another hillock, where the old man had his hut The footman guided the Shaikh to the place at midnight, awakened the old man, tendered the apology, and secured the absolution

Next day Darbar Khan the nazıı was ordered to send the Emperor's pālki to him and bring him to the mahal The old man, who had never before in his life heard the name of pālki, not to speak of his seeing a pālki with poles of silver, was brought in The Emperor inquired into his circumstances. He replied that he had two unmarried daughters and two sons with bare heads and feet, and that his wife was living Two hundred rupees were presented to him He passed two nights in the mahal, and received money, ornaments, and dresses from all [135] As he had heard from some one that I had pressed his suit on Bakhtāwar Khan, he came and stood before my tent, with a do-shāla on his back, a gown (peshwaz) with a daman (hem) on his body, a scarf with gold thread (daman-badla) on his head, kinkhab drawers on his legs, his lap full of gold coins, rupees, and gold ornaments, and a face full of a hundred wrinkles and bleared eves asked "Who art thou?" He replied "I am the man, who has come to such a good fortune through the help of you and your Khan '' "Be you blessed!" I rejoined, and took him to the Khan, who also made him some presents After two or three days, the Emperor again ordered the nāzii to bring him with his daughters. The ennuchs took the pālkis and fetched them. This time he got 1 000 rupees for dowry (kanyadān). The people of the mahal gave him money, ornaments and dresses double those of the first occasion. He was granted water for a second mill in the neighbour hood. Order was issued to the nāzīr to give him sanads from the imperial daftar exempting him from the payment of taxes and molestation for any of the prohibited cesses (abwāb)

Hakim Sanjāk went by command to the old man's house to treat his eye. Afterwards the man was taken to the houses of Princes Muhummad Sultan, Muhammad Azam Muhammad Mu azzam Muhammad Akbar Asad Khan and Yalangtosh Khan and favoured by them. His daughters were married. His sons put on cloaks of gold embroiders. His wife having passed through the beauty and vigour of youth was known as the old crone and leader of the villagers. But it was seen as a fact that this old woman Zulekhā like grew youthful again through the grace of the Yusuf of the Age. It is no exaggeration to say that the winkles [186] on her face disappeared and gave place to loveliness. Her bleared eyes sparkled again.

Aghar Khan was sent with Nusrat Khan Muza Sultan and a force with the necessary equipments to chastise the Afghans of Jamrud and Khyber Rai La l Chand was sent to investigate the affairs of the Crownlands of the Subah of The Emperor decided that Prince Akbar and Asad Khan should hasten to Kabul by way of Kohat On Tuesday the 15th September 24th Jamad S, the Prince received a special robe a kalgi of heron's feather (par i kalang) a sword and a jewelled shield, 50 Arab Traqi hill breed and Turki horses and an elephant with silver saz Asad Khan was given a special robe a sword, a horse and an elephant Shahāmat Khan Ghairat Khan Sayyid Munawwar Khan Mubariz Khan Siadat Khan, Muftakhar Khan Sazāwar Khan Kāmyab Khan Muhammad Isma'il the son of Asad Khan Inayet Khan Mufakhar Khan, Bahramand Khan Hayat Beg Dılır the son of Bahadur Khan Kumar Kishan Singh the son of Raja Ram Singh and other officers were appointed to posts and commands and received presents On Sunday the 27th September/7th Rajab Fidai Khan was appointed Subahdar of Kabul vice Mahabat Khan and a strong force with abundant material [137] was sent with him He was directed through

Bakhtāwai Khan, that when his force would enter the kotāl, at first the van should cross and halt on the further side, next day the centre should cross, the lear halting on this side, and if the right wing did not get space enough, it should march with the van, and the left wing with the rear On Monday the 16th November/27th Shaban, Mahābat

On Monday the 16th November /27th Shaban, Mahābat Khan had audience and was sent against Bir Singh, grandson of Bithaldās Gaur—Shaikh 'Abdul 'Aziz, dārogha of 'aiz-i-mukaiiai, had reached the rank of 7-sadi (200 tr), but owing to his extravagance he had difficulty in securing his livelihood, even though he was gianted some jāgirs and cash rewards—He began to show laxity in discharging his work and attending at the Court, and as if it were the will of God that he would not come out of this plight, he applied to be permitted to go to Lahore for some time—The Emperor assented after repeating the verse

"Don't have your hand tied to your neck, nor open it entirely" (Be neither niggardly nor extravagant)

It was ordered that Lutfullah Khan as his deputy should present the officers to the Emperor and Bakhtāwai Khan should bring the secret papers for His Majesty's signature. After arriving at Lahore, the Shaikh wrote the following ghazal to Bakhtāwar Khan [138] Omitted '''!

CHAPTER AVIII

18th year of the reign [1085 a h] 19th November 1674—8th November, 1675

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'Id ul fitr on Saturday the 19th December/1st Shawwal the customary celebrations at Court Peshkash presented by Princes and Peers Promotions and gifts

bestowed on them

[189] Prince Muhammad Sultan was made a 20-hazari (10,000 tr) and presented with a robe with half sleeves a pearl necklace a neck pendent of ruby worth 14 000 rupees one lakh of rupees in cash two horses with gold and enamel vaz two elephants with silver saz Lettledrums Prince Muhammad Mu azzam was given n robe a pearl necklace a ruby neck pendent a jewelled turban-end and five lakhs of rupees in cash Muhammad Azam was given a robe with half sleeves and Muhammad Akbar and Sultan Mu izzuddin the same Sultan Mu Azım got a robe the last two got the rank of 7 hazari (2 000 tr) tugh banners and Lettle drums A special robe, a jewelled dagger and a gricious farman (letter) were sent to Rana Raj Singh and a special robe to Maharam Jaswant, Himmat Khan Ashraf Khan the Khan ı saman Sadr us sadur Razavı Khan Savvid Murtaza Khan Tarbiyat Khan, Saf Shikan Khan and other courtiers great and small got robes of honour Bakhshi ul mulk Sarbuland Khan got an increment of 5 sadi and became a 4-hazarı (2 500 tr) Mır Khan previously dismissed was now given the title of Amir Khan and the rank of 4-hazārı (3 000 tr.) Qawamuddın Khan got an increment of 5-sādi and became a 3,500 (1,500 tr) [140] Kāmgar Khan and Muhammad Alı Khan each got an increment of 500 and became a 2-hazārı (500 tr) Khwaja Shah got the title of Sharif Khan and Kamaluddin son of Dilir Khan and Bagr Khan each got an increment of 2-sad; and became a hazarı (700 tr) Qabil Khan Burhanuddin brother's son of Fazil Khan deceased got the title of Itimad Khan Muhammad Sharif munshi darogha of dak and the letter

office (där-ul-inshā), brother of Abul Fath Qābil Khan, an old wālāshāhi servant, got that title (Qābil Khan), and an increment of 100 Bakhtawar Khan, was raised to the rank of a hazārı (250 ti) Sayyıd 'Ah, envoy of the Sharıf of Mecca and Muhammad Āmin, master of the horse (sālār-iāspān) got permission to depart with 5,000 rupees for each The chief of the Khwajas of Juibai, Khwaja Muhammad Y'aqub, the son-in-law of Nazar Muhammad Khan king of Balkh, was presented with 10,000 rupees. It was ordered that this amount should be sent to the Khwaja's house at the beginning of every month. Dilu Khan had audience and was made Subahdar of Multan vice 'Abid Khan and Husam Beg Khan, sen-in-law of 'Alı Mardan Khan, was made faujdār of Jaunpur Prithvi Singh, zemindār of Jamniu, was appointed to accompany Ludi Khan in the Kabul expedition. Muhammad Wafā, son of 'Abdullah Khan deceased, was sent as thanahdar of Guzar-rishi and Kohat The letter of Bahrām and Farjām [141] sons of Mahābit Khan informed the Emperor that he had died at Amanabad, on Tuesday, the 22nd December, 1674/4th Shavwal They were summoned to Court

Raghudās Jhālā, an officer of the Rānā, came to the Emperor and got the rank of 7-sadi (500 tr.) Muhtasham Khan, Mir Ibrāhim, eldest son of Shaikh Mir, was appointed faujdär of Langarkot vice Multafat Khan and received a Tuesday, the 9th March, 1675/22nd Zil H, 'Abid Khan on transfer from Multan came and waited on the Emperor Mii 'Abbās, brother of Savyid Sultān Karbalāi, son-in-law of Muhammad Amin Khan, who had applied for permission to go home, received a robe and 2,000 rupees as present Aurang Khwāja Chaurāghāsi, when leaving for Bukhārā, received a robe, a jewelled jigha, a female elephant, and 10,000 rupees Khwāja Muhammad Tāhir Naqshbandi, father of Khwāja Muhammad Sālih and son-in-law of Murād Bakhsh, got leave to go home and a present of 500 mohars Bikram Singh of Gwalioi was confirmed as a thanahdar and given a jobe, a jewelled dagger, and a horse with gold trappings He was ordered to bring with himself 2,500 hill-infantry 'Inayet Khan became faujdar of Khan abad vice Mujahid Khan On Monday, the 24th May/9th Rabi A. Saf Shikan Khan died [142] Multafat Khan replaced him as dārogha of topkhāna A robe was sent to him with a macebearer

As Kh in Jahan Bahadur had defeated the infernal Shiva by repeated attacks and many forced marches and greatly exerted himself in chartising the other rebels of the Decean Bij ipur and Haidaribad, on Wednesday, the 7th July /23rd Rabi 5 the I'mperor rewarded him by giving him the titles of Khan Jahan Bahadur Zafir Jang Kokaltash and promoted him to be a 7 hazari (same tr) by an increment of hazari zat and presented him with I kror of dam servant Muhammad Salah who had brought the cash, horses and elephants of the tribute got a robe and his companions a reward of I (M) rupees. Muhammad Mirak macebearer carried to Zafar Jang and his sons splendid robes, high promotions titles and a farman of praise. At Zafar lang s request Sambha the son of Shira was granted the rank of to hazari (57me tr.) eighty likhs of dam as present kettle drums and hanner a robe and a farman were sent with the nincebenrer Ashraf Khan Khan i saman [143] condoled with the Sadr Razava Khan for the death of his brother and brought him to Court A mourning robe and permission to to Delhi were given him

On Thursday the 22nd July 9th Jamad A a son was born to Muhammad Azam named Sikandar-Shān The Prince was given a robe the baby a pearl necklace and Jahanzeb Binn Beginn 10 000 rupees. This year Abid khin was appointed Mir i haj for conveying to Mecca and Medini the gift (nazar) which used to be sent there every year Qazi ul-quizat Abdul Wahhab having fallen ill started for Delhi Sayvid Ali Akbar Qāzi of Lahore became his deput. Abdullah Khan of Kashghar who had been living happily on the Emperor's bounty at Delhi, died on Wednesday the 20th October/10th Shaban. Mourning robes were presented to Nasir Khan and other relatives of

the deceased

On Mondry the 8th November 1670/20th Shaban news came that Abdullah Qutb ul mulk king of Haidarā bad had died ind been succeeded by Abul Hasan his brother's son and own son in law Nāmdar Khan was restored to the rank of 4-hazari (2,000 tr) and made Subahldar of Oudh vice Saādat Khan Mukhtar Beg the third son of Islām Khan who had arrived with the Khan's family at Ujiam was created a 7 sadi (200 tr) Amanat Khan [144] resigned his post of peshdast of the khālsa and became commandant of Lahore Kifayet Khan peshdast of the daftar i tan got the vicant office in

addition to his own Khan Zamān, son of 'Āzam Khan deceased, became nāzim of Berār and a 5-hazāri (3,000 tr) Ābul Hasan, king of Haidarābād, sent with his envoy Qawām-ud-din tribute of nine lakhs of rupees, jewels, and elephants Robes were given to the envoy at arrival and departure Ruhullah Khan was reinstated in the grade of 1,500 (400 tr) and made faujdāi of Sahāranpur. Tarbiyat Khan became dāiogha of the Emperor's retinue vice Mukarram Khan Muhammad Ishāq, the second son of Shaikh Mir

Mukarram Khan with his younger brother Shamshir Khan, Muhammad Y'aqub and a strong force, was ordered to punish the Afghans near the kotal of Khapash Friday, the 11th June/27th Rabi A, it was learnt that he had repeatedly fought with the enemy, plundered many of their houses, and taken many prisoners One day, at first a few Afghans appeared The Khan despising their number, flung himself on the enemy, and at first defeated Afterwards two countless forces, which had lain concealed in the waist of the hill, charged him Shamshir Khan and Mir 'Azizullah, son-in-law of Shaikh Mir, boldly stood their ground and heroically [145] died, with a large number of the imperialists Lack of water and of road on any side whatever caused the death of many horse and foot soldiers A great defeat befell our side, and terrible hardships on high and low alike Guided by men who knew the country Mukarram Khan with some other lucky survivois, went to 'Izzat Khan thanahdar of Bajaur The latter, who had often defeated the Afghans, was firmly entrenched there with his retinue He regarded the approach of the fugitives as a very fortunate circumstance and offered them various kinds of relief The Emperor was very sorry to hear of the death of his servants, especially young Shamshir Khan, and praised 'Izzat Khan for his services He ordered Mukarram Khan to come to Court A letter of condolence and a mourning robe were sent to Muhtasham Khan Monday, the 14th June/30th Rabi A, Bakhshi-ul-mulk Sarbuland Khan was sent with a large army (in all 9,000 tr) and a vast quantity of material in order to deal effectively with the enemy Aghar Khan was made thanahdar of Jalālābād, Hazbar Khan of Jagdalak, Farāq Khan of Lamghānāt, Āllahdād of Gharıb-Khānah, Suhrāb son Garshāsp, faujdār of Dānki, Khanjar Khan that Bangashāt The Emperor ordered Sufid Khāk to be called Mughalabad and Bāzārak Fatihabad The news writer of the force of Fidāi Khan reported that on Thursday, the 1st luk/17th Rabi S, the Khan [146] had started from Pesh Bulīq towards kabul As this Khan had done his utmost in ritacking the Āfghans plundering and destroying their homes, and his services had gained praise, he was given the title 'Āzani Khan Kokah On Thursday, the 26th August/14th Januad S, news came that Hazbar Khau thānahdār of Jagdalak had fought a battle with the Āfghīns, and been slain with his son and other im paral soldiers and that 'Abdullah Khiweshgi, thanahdār of Bārangab and Surkhāb had fled from his outpost (thānah) many of his companions having been slain or captured

On Tuesday, the 19th October/9th Shaban, a letter from Amir Khan reported that 'Alam Ism'āil and other Afghān rebels of Shāhjahānpur and Kāntgolah who after being defeated by the imperial troops had taken shelter in the fort had been captured and that they were being sent to the Court with Ibrahim Khan who was coming from

Bengal

Bakhtawar Khan by order took securities from the astrologers of the Emperor and the Princes that they would not construct almanacs for the next year and orders to the

same purport were sent to the provinces

A basket fell into the well of the haveli of Muhammad Shafi Mirisamin of Muhammad Sultan, two men who successively descended to bring it up died. The third shouted from midway Take me out?! After remaining unconscious for an hour he recovered and said. A dark goblin became visible before me at the bottom of the well and [147] cried out in a terrible voice. Why are you coming? Get out.

News came from Delhi of the death of Purhunar Banu Begam who was the eldest child of Shah Jahan and had been borne to him by Quadahari Mahal, the daughter of Mirzā Husain Safavi Safa Khan the nazim and other officers of the Subah buried her corpse in a mausoleum (garden) which had been built by a mason under her

direction

CHAPTER XIX

19TH YEAR OF THE REIGN 1086 A H

9th November, 1675—27th October, 1676

et Shawwal S

'Id-ul-fitr, 9th December/1st Shawwal Saif Khan Faquullah, son of Taibiyat Khan, was restored to his title, and received a special robe, a sword, and a mansab, on returning from the life of a hermit [148] Ābul Muhammad, daughter's son of Ibiāliim 'Ādil Khan and son of Bahar Khan, a scholar, came from Bijāpur, had audience, got a robe and was created a 3-hazāri (2,000 tr) with the title of Khan and a present of 60,000 rupees. His brothers and sons got proper mansabs. On Friday, the 17th December / 9th Shawwal, Āmir Khan from Bihār had audience, Tarbiyat Khan was appointed in his place. On Sunday, the 2nd January, 1676/27th Shawwal, Shaikh Nizām married Bār Phupdevi [cor], the daughter of the Raja of Kishtāwar to Muhammad Sultān

THE EMPEROR'S RETURN FROM HASAN ĀBDĀL TO DELHI

Thursday, the 23rd December, 1675/15th Shawwal, began the 1eturn journey from Hasan Abdal The first stage was Kālābāgh Hunting at many of the stages (on the 10ute) the Emperor arrived at the garden of Lahore on Friday, the 21st January, 15th Zil Q, Amanat Khan, the commandant interviewed As Qazi 'Abdul Wahhab had died at Delhi on Friday, the 26th November/18th Ramzan, his son Shaikh-ul-Islām, who was the Qāzi of Delhi, came to Court by command and received his father's post of Oazi of the army Maulvi 'Abdullah of Siālkot, son of Mullā 'Abdul Hakım deceased, who combined piety with scholarship, virtues with polished manners and had not so long had the satisfaction of ever meeting the Emperor, [149] had been requested from Hasan Abdal to come to Lahore after the Emperor's arrival there The Maulyi reached Lahore two or three days before the Emperor and had

several interviews with His Majesty After being honoured with a robe, 200 mohars, and a female elephant, he returned home Elkatāz Khan who had gone as envoy to Balkli returned after four years and three days, and was granted audience and a robe He presented eleven horses, leather goods and a Linfe Mulla Muhammad Tāhir, brother of the comment Mulla Auz Wajih, and an envoy of Subhān Ouli Khan, came with Ekkataz Khan and received a robe and 7,000 rupees Lutfullah Khan became darogha of filkhanah sice Faizullah Khan, Turktaz Khan was given a robe, a horse a quiver with a sheath (quitan) and ordered to Kabul On Saturday, the 19th February, 1676/14th Zil H , Muhammad Azam was sent as Subahdar to Multan Khwāja Talib conveyed to his house a robe, a jewelled sword 200 Arab, 'Iraqi, and Turki horses, two elephants with taläir and silver sas and I kror dam. Sultan Bidar Bakht got a robe a horse, and an elephant, Mulla Muhammad Talur, envoy of Balkh 4,000 rupees and a palks [150] with a carpet and his companions 2,000 rupees The joyous news was received that a son had been born to Muhammad Muaszam (cor) who was named Khujista Akhtar, Khusrau Chela conveyed to him a pearl necklace a pearl cap and 5 pieces (than) of cloth Dilur Khan was sent on the Decean expedition with a robe a horse, an elephant and a jewelled Ghairat Khan was made faujdar of Jaunpur vice Husain Beg Khan deceased Ibrahim Khan came from Bihar and had audience On Wednesday, the 29th March 1676/24th Muharram the imperial order was issued Ruhullah an armed personal attendant conveyed to the Amir ul umara, a robe a jewelled dagger, and a farman praising him for the conquest of Morang and appointing hum Subahdar of Orissa vice Rashid Khan with two krors of dam as reward His agent too got a robe Mulla 'Auz Wajih who had turned hermit, was restored to the rank of Himmat Khan became Subahdar of Allahabad vice Hasan Ali Khan and was granted a robe and one lakh 'Abdur Rahim Khan succeeded him as darogha of ghusalkhana Ruhullah Khan replacing the latter as Sarbuland Khan who had been removed from his mansab, was reinstated Darab Khan came from Ajmir, had audience and became darogha of topkhana vice Multafat Khan Savyid Ahmad Khan replaced him [151] at Ajmir Qawamuddin Khan was sent to Kashmir as Subalidar Prince Muhammad Sultān received a present of jewels worth

seven lakhs of tupees. Muhammad Mu'azzam teceived a tota of jewelled tassels (jhumka) worth 9,000 tupees and a jewelled puncht worth 50,000 rupees 'Abdur Rasul Khan was made qiladat of Kulbarga, which was conquered this year by the imperialists. Hamza Khan was appointed qiladar of Kaliani, Irij Khan faujdar of Irijpur vice Khan Zamān, Tahmāsp Khan that of Ātapanwāra vice M'asum Khan

The Emperor learnt that Islām Khan, nāzım of Malwa, who had been appointed to serve under Khan Jahan Bahadur Kokaltāsh, was standing with the vanguard on Tuesday, the 13th June/11th Rabi S Accidentally at a time when the battle was still evenly balanced, the gunpowder caught fire while being distributed at that spot His elephant being panic-stricken blindly rushed into the ranks of the enemy who surrounded him, cut the girth of his howdah, brought him down to the ground, and cruelly cut him to pieces with his son 'Ali Beg Khan His eldest son, Afrāsiāb Khan, was favoured by the Emperor with an increment of 5-sadi (same tr) [152] and made a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -hazāni (1,500 tr) His younger son Mukhtar Beg got 3 sadi (200 tr) more and became a hazān (400 tr) His property, amounting to three lakhs of tupees, 2,000 āshrafis and other articles, which had been seized by the State at Ujjain and Sholāpur, was given to his sons, and they were ordered to make good the dues from their father On Sunday, the 24th September/26th Rajab, Muhammad Akbar was sent as Subahdar to Malwa, on the death of Islam Khan, and received a special robe with a bālāband and a sarpech of ruby, two Arab and 'Irāqi horses with gold sāz and one elephant Mullā Muhammad Tāhir, envoy, when taking leave for returning, received an elephant, 10,000 rupees and a jewelled 'asa On 3rd October, Sultan Mu'ızzudin was married to the daughter of Mırzā Mukarram Khan Safavi He received a robe with chahār-qab, a pearl necklace worth 10,000 rupees, a smaram worth 10,000 rupees and an elephant with talāir Yalangtosh Khan Bahādur on the day of his marriage received a robe, an emerald sarpech, a horse with gold $s\bar{a}z$ and an elephant with silver $s\bar{a}z$ Sultan Quli got the title of Khan and the fauidari of Islāmābād Mathurā vice Mubāriz Khan Mir-kul Sunday, the 8th October/10th Shaban, Asad Khan was appointed grand Wazir, and received a special robe and a jewelled ink-pot worth 5,000 rupees [153] On Sunday, the 15th October, 1676/17th Shaban Muhammad Mu'azzam was

ent or the Kabul expedition with many high commanders, utillers treasure and material and given the title of Shah Mini Baliadur a special robe with half sleeves, jewels me the two lables of rapees swords with jewelled sa three he I Arat Ir iqu and Turki horses with jewelled sa. and wrom lit saidle and one lakh of ashrafi Sultan Mu'izzuddin treeted a robe a jewelled I algo and surpech a horse named h hi ha m (book in battle) with gold sur a sword with enantelled a in elephant with other so, a bow and a quiver Sultan Muhammind Azim a robe a kalki a sarpech and commann. Sult in Dinlatafra a pendent of ruby. Sult in Khupetah Ikhter an emerald langan (wristlet) Amer Klim Suf Klim Rain Ram Singli and other grandees were rewarded with rifts. Mughal Khan was removed from hi rank of 21, ha in (1400 tr). Muhtasham Khin kot the fanjdari of Saharupur. Himmat Khin histened to take up his post is Subahdar of Allahabad, ice Hasan 'Ah I han Muhammad Shur i son of Qaramuddin Khan came In m Persia had audience and was made a hazari (300 tr.) An annual pension of 12 000 rupees was settled on Aqil klinn who had resigned his office and taken to a life of retirement. Ibrahim Khan [154] applied for resigning his

faujdar of Bangashat
On I riday the 27th October 1676, 20th Ramzan while the 1 inperor was returning from the Janua mosque and had alighted from the boat in order to mount the most ble chair (takht i rawan) on ill fated disciple of Guru Tegh Singh threw two bricks one of which reached the chair. He was seized by the retinue and ordered to be made

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HITTERS OF THE FMITROR FROM LAHORE TO DELHI]

On Thursday the 21th I ebruary 1676/19th Zil H
the I imperor left Lahore Kamalitidin son of Dilir Khan
was created a Khan On 21st February/16th Zil H
Dostdar B inu Belam wife of Muhammad Sultan died in
the suru of Rustam Khan On Monday the 27th March/
22nd Muharrim the Emperor arrived at Delhi On Satur
day the 24th June/22nd Rabi S Raja Ram Singh came
from Assim and hid interview

While the I inperor was mounting his horse in the square (chauk) before the Hall of Audience, a complainant

flung a stick at him. It fell on the other side of His Majesty's umbrella, the man was made over to the kotwāl

The scouts (qarāwals) showed a deer of pure white colour. On Thursday, the 13th July/12th Jamad A, a son was born to Sipihr Shukoh and Zubdatunnisā Begam, he obtained the name of 'Ali Tabār The Emperor went to Sipihr Shukoh's house to see the child On 5th August/5th Jamad S, [155] a son was born to Muhammad Sultān, he was named Mas'aud Bakht On Wednesday, the 30th August/1st Rajab, Muhammad Sultān was married to the daughter of the brother of Daulatābādi Mahal On Friday, the 1st September/3rd Rajab, Muhammad Ākbar was married to the daughter of Alah Quli, son of Murād Quli Gliakkar

The Emperor learnt that Muhammad Muhsan, son of Khan Jahān Bahādur, had been slain in battle at the fort of Naldrug On Thursday, the 19th October/21st Shaban, while the Emperor was mounting his horse after returning from the Jām'a mosque, a wretch came forward with an uplifted sword The retinue arrested him, a small wound was inflicted on the finger of Mukarram Khan The macebearers wanted to slay him, but the Emperor forbade it, settled on him a daily allowance of half a rupee and sent him as prisoner to Ranthambhor On Wednesday, the 25th October/27th Shaban, a water-carrier approached the Emperor on the steps of the Jām'a mosque and cried out salām 'alekum He was ordered to be made over to the kotwāl.

CHAPTER XX

20th year of the reign 1087 ah

28th October, 1676-17th October, 1677

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The Emperor passed the month of Ramzan in fasting and prayer On most days, especially from the 17th of that month onwards he went to the mosque of the ghusall hand day and night, and there held [156] the Court of Justice On Monday, the 27th November/Ist Shawwal, occurred the 'Id ul fitr Shah 'Alam Bahadur was a 40-hazārı (25,000 tr) he got an increment of 5 hazar troopers Muhammad 'Azam was a 15 hazārs (9 000 tr) and now received an increment of 5 hazari zat Yalangtosh Khan Bahādur, a hazārs (500 tr) received promotion of 500 (200 tr) Itiqad Khan Mir Kul, after his removal from mansab was reinstated as a 2-haeari (1,000 tr) Sayyid Mustafa son of Savvid Murtaza Khan, became a 5 sads (100 tr) On Monday, the 27th November 1676/1st Shawwal, Ruhullah Khan became Khan 1 saman vice Ashraf Khan Yalangtosh Khan Bahadur foolishly stabbed himself with a knife his rank was reduced by 5 sadi (200 tr.) Kamgar Khan was dismissed from his mansab

Mullā Auz Wajih the leading theologian died. His home was Akhsikat in Samarqand During his study under Mir 'Auz Tashkand he surpassed all his class fellows After having served for sometime as a teacher in Balkh, he came to the Emperor Shah Jahān's Court in the 18th year of his reign, and took service as mufti of the camp. In Aurangzib's reign he was Censor of the uriny for a short time, and exerted himself far beyond any other holder of the post in putting down vices [187]. The rest of his life he spent in teaching, being highly honoured by the nobility

When Muhammad Azam, who was coming from Multan for interview reached Aghrabad Mah Banu on behalf of His Majesty conveyed to him the present of a betel tray, a small tray a do-ghara a dish (rikābi), and a spitoon (ugāldān) of stone set with jasper He was granted interview on Tuesday the 16th Junuary 1677/22nd Zil Q,

and presented with a robe with saipech, other special clothing, and nine horses Sultan Bidar Bakht and Sikandar Shān received two saipeches worth 5,000 rupees each On Saturday, the 17th February/24th Zil H Mirzā Beg, a servant of Shāh 'Alam Bahādur, brought a letter and 1,000 mohars on the occasion of the birth of a son, who was named Muhammad Humāyun A jewelled sarpech for the Prince and a jewelled cap and a pearl necklace for the Sultan (grandson) were sent with him On Monday, the 19th March/24th Muharram, at the recommendation of Shāh 'Alam Bahādur, Amır Khan was made Subahdar of Kabul vice 'Azam Khan Kokah Bakhshi-ul-mulk Sarbuland Khan was presented with a stone ink-pot set with Manohardas, qıladar of Sholapur promised 50,000 rupees as peshkash for being given the title of Raja The Emperor accepted it On Friday, the 13th April, Muhammad 'Azam was made Subahdar of Bihar vice Tarbiyat Khan and presented with a special robe, a dagger, a sarpech, a kalgi, two horses, and five krors of dām as reward biyat Khan was made faujdār of Tirhut and Dārbhangā, vice Hādi Khan, Dārāb Khan made Mir Tuzuk vice Ruhullah Khan, [158] Mukarram Khan dārogha of mace-bearers vice 'Abdur Rahim Khan, Sayyıd Khan faujdar of Bangashat vice Iftikhar Khan, Khan Zaman Subahdar and qiladar of Zafarabad Bidar Good fortune brought Shāh Beg Khan Kāshghari to India At interview he received a special robe, a dagger with gold hilts and pearl 'ilāqa, a jewelled jigha, a shield wrought with gold flowers, a female elephant and 5,000 rupees in cash Seven dishes and three trays of bread and a $p\hat{a}lki$ with carpet were sent to his house created a 1½ hazārı (200 tr) Kıshan Sıngh, son of Rām Singh coming from Kabul had audience, and was granted leave for four months to visit his home 'Inayetullah, son of S'ādullah Khan deceased, became bakhshi of Shāgudpeshah vice Hakim Muhammad Muhasan A macebearer carried to Hasan 'Ali Khan a farmān appointing him Subahdar of Agra Muhammad Isma'ıl son of Umdat-ulmulk Āsad Khan married the daughter of Amir-ul-umārā He was presented with a robe and a horse Shāista Khan with gilt sāz, and given the title of 'Itiqād Khan brought his own kalgi and sahrā, the Emperor took them with his own hands and made them over to Sultan Sipilir Shukoh to be placed on his head Kāmyāb Khan became faujdāi of Saĥāranpur vice Muhatasham Khan, and the

Inter that of Miwrt 100 Fulnd Khan Hamid Khan became Subahdar of Ajmir 1100 Sayard Ahmid Khan Khwaja Namitullah who lind brought a letter from the king of Bukhara received 400 rupees Muhammad Qasim Khan collector [150] of the port of Cambry, became that of Surrat 100 Ghristiddin Khan Kam Bakhsh, on finishing the memorising of the Quiun received a robe, two horses with gold siz a jewelled sarpech a pearl necklace, a shield wrought with jewelled flowers (gul) a quiver and a bow-case khanilizad Khan became thanadar of Ghaznin 1100 Alah vir Khan, and the latter got the former 5 post of giladar of Kabil "Azam Khan kokah was appointed Subahdar of Bengal 1100 the Amir ul umara and received a robe a jewelled dagger and a horse worth 500 mohars with gold siz. Inavet Khan became peshdasi of the Khālsa office 1100 khay than Mughal Khan, who had been dismissed was reinstated as a 2 hazari (1 000 tr.) Fazlullah Khan dismissed was ristored to his mansah and sent to serve in Bengal

DEATH OF PRINCE MUHAMMAD SULTAN

The Prince was taken seriously ill For a short time he remained weak and confined to bed on Sunday the 3rd December 1076/7th Shawwal [160] the Emperor, at the imperial hunting lodge of Malar learnt of his death Inspite of his fortitude the Emperor wept on hearing this news Ruhullah Khan Khan i sāmān, Siadat Khan, Abdur Rahim Khan Shaikh Nizam and Mulla Muhammad Y agub were ordered to bury him near the tomb of Khwāja Qutbuddin and to get the whole of the Quran recited and alms distributed for the peace of his soul. He was born in 1639 A D /1049 A H and lived 38 years 10 months

A letter came from Muhammad Akbar to sat that he had entered Ujjain on Saturday the 23rd December 1676/27th Shawwal Sultān 'Ala Tabār son of Sipihr Shukoh, died and the robe of mourning was given On Sunday, the 28th January 1677/4th Zil H Akbarābādi Mahal of Shāh Jahān died Bakhshi ul mulk Sarbuland Khan was ordered to abolish the tankhwā of eight and seven months, and to give the nagdis tankhwā for six months only On Friday the 90th March/5th Safar the Emperor learnt that Tazlullah Khan, who had been appointed to Bengal had been mortally stabbed by a servant with a dagger On

Tuesday, the 31d April/9th Safar, Sikandar Shan, son of Prince Muhammad 'Azam, died A letter came from Khan Jahan Bahadur to say that on Monday the 14th May/21st Rabi A, Naldurg had been captured by the imperialists On 9th June/17th Rabi S., the death occurred of Sultan [161] Mas'aud Bakht, son of Sultan Muhammad deceased came from Ujjain that Kishan Singh Hada had come to interview Prince Akbai, while putting on the 10be of honour he had a sudden altercation with the Prince, and stabbed himself to death in the stomach. His four servants slew fifteen men (of the Prince) before they were slam On Saturday, the 4th August, 1677/14th Jamad S, Prince Muhammad 'Azam reached Patna, and Shah 'Alam Bahādur reached Kābul on Thursday, the 15th August/25th Outbuddin Khan and Raja Indiaman Bundela Tamad S 'Abdui Rahman Khan, the bakhshi and news-writer of the Deccan, was informed that Khan Jahan Bahadur was summoned to the Court, and that Dilir Khan was ordered to keep watch till the arrival of another Subahdar, and that the affairs of the place were to be conducted with his advice 'Umdat-ul-mulk Asad Khan was sent to the Deccan with a large army and a vast store of materials.

CHAPTER AXI

21st year of the reign 1088 4 H.

18th October, 1677-6th October 1678

Prince Albar came from Uijain had interview on Tuesday, the 30th October/13th Ramzan and received a robe with half sleeves, a balaband and 5 horses [162] On Sunday the 18th November/2nd Shawwal the day follow ing the 'Id ul fitr the Emperor sat on the throne according." to the custom of the celebration (of coronation) betel leaves and scents were distributed among the persons present at Court The Emperor ordered the few apparel that had been used in the decoration of the coronation festivity to be removed and said to Bakhshi ul mulk Safi Khan "I abolish the celebration return the peshkash sent by the Amir ul umara, and the other grandees are not to make any presents to me The clerks should use inkpots of China ware and gilt stone, instead of silver ones The amounts of in am which were brought into the Court on silver trays should henceforth be brought on shields Men who have no such drawers as are sanctioned by the canonical law, should come dressed in socks. In the khil at khanah embroidered cloth should be used instead of stuff with gold and silver flowers worked on it The factory of do dami [extremely fine cloth) established at Chanderi should be abolished Erect a kathra of laps lazuli set in gold, in the place of the uncanonical kathra (railing) of gold and silver Do not plant rose beds in any imperial garden except in that of Aghrabad and Nurbari No mansabdar above the 4-sadi should begin the construction of pucca houses without permission , [Another text adds,] 'remove the gold and silver censers for burning aloe wood which are brought into the royal residence.

On Monday the 26th November/10th Shawwal, Kam Bakhsh was made a 8-hazārı (2,000 tr.) and given a tuman a tugh a banner kettle-drums an umbrella 30 horses, and 15 elephants [168] Winter dresses were presented to the princes and peers of the Court and the provinces. On Wednesday the 28th November/12th Shawwal, Ibrahim Khan was appointed Subahdār of Kashmir vice Qawāmuddin

Khan, Muhammad Yār Khan son of 'Itiqād Khan became dārogha of the goldsmith's department vice Khidmatgār Khan, Sazāwār Khan became faujdār of Qanauj Muhammad N'aim, mushrif of the stable, became bakhshi of Kām Baklısh Khwāja Bahāuddın, son of Khwāja Pārsā, daughter's son of Subhān Qulı Khan, kıng of Balklı, came from vilayat and received a robe, 14,000 rupees in cash, and a jewelled dagger Khwaja Khidmat Khan became dārogha of jewellery market (juwāhi bāzār), vice 'Itiqād Khan Mughal Khan became ākhta begi, vice Ruhullah Khan, Munawwar Khan was sent as faujdar of Ratha, Mahoba, and Jalālpur Khabdup, vice Subhakaran Bundela Muhammad Kāzim, author of the 'Ālamgiināmah became darogha of the sale department A1 Begam, sister of Najābat Khan the son of Sarbuland Khan, died Nāmdār Khan conducted Najābat to the Emperor to receive a robe of condolence On Monday, the 15th April, 1678/31d Rabi A, Sayyıd Murtaza Khan died, of high birth, charitable and brave, he used to keep [164] his soldiers on high pay and in great splendour. The Emperor sent Bakhtāwar Khan to make inquiries before his death. The Khan brought to the Emperor this prayer from the Sayyid, "I had hoped to give up my life in the service of my master But it is not to be, hence my grief Others present gold and gems to His Majesty, I wanted to present a few lives (of the enemy) in exchange of mine That might probably be of use to His Majesty' After the Sayyid's death many of his servants, from hazānis to commanders of 80, were taken into the imperial service, and the footmen too were provided with posts in the workshop and store departments (kārkhānazāt)

On Thursday, the 18th April, 1678/6th Rabi A, Shaikh 'Abdul 'Aziz died Two days before, Bakhtāwar Khan had sent the author to him, to carry the imperial command that there should be no slackness in his treatment, and that if he wished, the Emperor was ready to send any of the Yunāni doctors that he desired to treat him When I went, I found him reclining in bed and engaged in composition, his words were being written down by his pupils, such as Mir Hādi, Muhammad S'aid 'Ajāz, and others On hearing the imperial message he replied to the author, "I have no prejudice for any particular system of treatment But I have no faith in the book-knowledge of these men (i e, the Yunāni doctors of the Court) If any of them be

ht for being given a call. I have no objection. I have chosen as my doctor. Abdul. Malik on whose book learning, dragnosis. Operience and prindence I have reliance. Life is not so precious an article that for prolonging it [cor.] we should make such frantic exertions. We must be drowned in with when it rises above the head. I reported this speech to Bakhtawar klipn, who asked me to write it down, and then read it to His Majesty. The Emperor [165] said to the klian. You will not believe that the greatest of scholars has said so. The fear that we feel springs from the thought of how our acts would be judged by God.

I utfullish Khim became daroghi of arz i mubarrar he him Ashraf Khan became news reader vice I utfullish Muhimmad Yar Khim became darogha of quel hanah nei Imamwardi who becime fanjdar of Saharan pur Muhim Khim darogha of chim khanah vice Muhim mad Ali Khim On Monday the 8th July 1678/28th Jamad A Hannd Khan came to Court and received a robe of condolence and the post of darogha of khas-chauki vice his deceased father. Iftikhar Khan went to Ajmir in his place. Qiwamuddin Khan came to Court from Kashmir and got a robe. Abdur Rahim khan became akhta begi re Mughal khan. Lutfullah Khan was graciously authorized to enter the fort in his palki.

The news writer of the Decean reported that Dilir Khan had a stiff fight with the arms of Golkonda an elephant was killed by a rocket, the elephant ridden by the Khan was wounded by a musket ball, the servant who rode on the chiphant behind the Khan was killed by a rocket, the fire of the rocket even fell on the collar of the Khan but it was extinguished with the water of his leather bottle, many of the enemy as well as the Khan's followers were slain Fighting and guirding his own troops he reached his tent at eventure.

On Sunday the 20th January 1678/6th Zil H Shah Alam Bah dur from Kabul interviewed the Emperor and received a special robe and a jewelled jugha His sons and subordinate grandees [166] received robes and jewels

21th January 10th Zil H, the Emperor went to the mosque to say the two-fold 'Id uz zuhn prayers On Wednesday the 8th May 26th Rabi A, he learnt of Shivan s attack on Mungi patan

The news writer of Surat reported that a mare had

delivered a colt with three legs, the third leg was close to the chest, and all the three legs were used in walking

Murād Bakhsh's daughter was married to Khwāja Y'aqub, brother's son of Khwāja Sālih Naqshbandi, the Emperor presented a robe, a horse with gold sāz, a jigha of jasper, 4,000 rupees in cash and a female elephant. First Sarbuland Khan conveyed the groom to the deorhi (portico) of the Begam Sāhib for salutation. Next the knot was tied in the mosque of Ākbarābādi. The marriage settlement was two lakhs of rupees. Sulaimān Shukoh's daughter was married to Khwāja Bahāuddin, son of Khwāja Pārsā, and the same favours were conferred on him too. Sultān-ud-din, the son of Sayyid Muhammad successor of Qutb-i-'Ālam (sainted dead), brother's son and son-in-law of Sadr-us-sadur Razawi Khan, received a robe, a female elephant, and 1,000 rupees when leaving for Āhmadābād

On Monday, the 29th April/17th Rabi A, Qawamuddın Khan was made Subahdar of Lahore, and Kamgar Khan bayutāt vice Rahmat Khan, Sayyid Muhammad Bijāpuri, one of the sons of Ghaus-ul-'azam, who was highly revered by all there, came to Court and received a pension of 6,000 On Friday, the 5th July/25th Jamad $^{'}$ A , rupees a year Akbar was appointed Subahdar of Multan and presented with a special robe, a pearl necklace, a ruby neck-pendant, [167] two horses with gold $s\bar{a}z$, and an elephant with talāir, Safi Khan was appointed to serve under him, 'Abdur Rahim Khan becoming his deputy The daughter of Kirat Singh was married to Muhammad 'Azim, 63,000 rupees, jewels, a gold litter (chaudol), a pālki, and five dolis with silver railings, were given as dowry On the day of marriage the Prince received a special robe, a pearl necklace and a jewelled kalgi, Qamruddin, son of Mukhtar Khan was created a Khan A peshkash of eleven lakhs of rupees was received from 'Adıl Khan Bıjapurı Amır-ul-umara Shaista Khan, who had come from Bengal, was granted audience in the private chamber He received a splendid robe, a dagger with its handle set with jasper, saz of enamel with 'ilaqa, and dhup with saz of gold He was honoured by being presented with the truncheon (' $as\bar{a}$) of Jasper which the Emperor carried in his own hands `The Amir-ul-umārā's peshkash amounted to thirty lakhs of rupees in cash and jewels costing four lakhs of rupees It included a mirror, before which, if a watermelon was placed, it dried up and drops of water trickled from it Another was a casket (sandug) to one side of which a [toy] elephant was tied and to the other a goat the elephant could not pull it away but the goat dragged away the casket and the elephant. The Amir ul umarā according to his request attained to the highest point of the ambition of courtiers, and was authorized to come in a pālki up to the ghusalkhānah, and to sound his band (naubat) after that of Shah 'Alam Bahādur. The Khan [168] went by command to interview Shah 'Alam Bahādur and presented to him 200 mohars and 2 000 rupees. After embrace he was seated near the Prince's masiaad, and presented with a robe with chahārqub and a dagger with handle of Jasper.

On Sunday, the 16th June, 1678/6th Jamed A Amır ul umara was sent as Subahdar to Agra vice Hasan 'Alı Khan, and rewarded with a special robe and two Arab and 'Iraqi horses Abdur Rahman Khan, bakhshi and news writer of the Deccan was deprived of the title of Khan, because he had altered the amount that Bahadur Khan had collected from the ruler [of Bijapur] in entering it into his When Bahadur Khan after his removal from the subahdari, reached the Court from the Deccan he was punished for some serious offences and for his tyranny in extorting peshkash, by being deprived of his rank and title —his property in cash articles, furniture, and elephants being confiscated The Emperor, however graciously over looked the offences of this old servant and granted him an interview on Thursday the 23rd May /11th Rabi S when he was restored to his former rank and title By command Aqıl Klıan conveyed (lıım) to the presence of Shah Alam Bahadur, who gave him a robe and dagger worth 7 000 rupees

News came that 'Azam Khan Kokah, the dismissed Subahidār of Bengal was coming to Bihār, when he died at Dacca on Friday the 24th May/12th Rabi S The new Subahidār, Prince Muhammad 'Azam hastened from Patna to that side (on hearing of it) [169] Nurullah Khan was appointed deputy of the Prince for governing Orissa Saf Khan was made Subahidar of Bihar The Emperor condoled with Khan Jahān Bahādur the vounger brother of the deceased and presented robes to his two sons Robes were sent with a macebearer to Salih Khan und other sons of the deceased The property of the deceased—twenty two lakhs of rupees and 1 12 000 mohars—was confiscated

On Wednesday the 18th September 1678/11th Shaban, Prince Shāh 'Alam Bahādur with a vast army was

sent to govern the subahs of the Deccan, and presented with a special robe with jewelled $b\bar{a}l\bar{a}band$, a pearl necklace, a jigha, three horses, an elephant with gold $s\bar{a}z$, and one lakh $\bar{a}shiafi$ in cash, and to his original stipend of six kror $d\bar{a}m$ was now added four kror $d\bar{a}m$, besides (the increase of) his mansab. His sons were promoted and rewarded properly, and his followers favoured with robes, horses, and elephants Qawāmuddin Khan, Subahdār of Lahore, was entrusted with the faujdāri of Jammu in addition. Raja Jaswant Singh Bundela was sent to punish the sons of Champat Bundela [ie, Chhatra Sāl and Angad]

The Emperor learnt that grain had become dear in He ordered the addition of another twenty rupees daily to the expense of the relief kitchen. News came from Kabul that the kings of Balkh and Bukhārā were at war with each other, and in both places grain was so dear that men [170] were eating carrion and other forbidden things On Saturday, the 21st September/14th Shaban, news came that 'Umdat-ul-mulk Asad Khan had started from Burhanpur for Aurangābād Jān Beg, son of Bakhtān Beg, got the title of Atish Khan It was ordered that on Sundays and Thursdays 'Inayet Khan and Kıfayet Khan should come to the Emperor for reporting the diwani business Āsāish Bānu, daughter of Murād Bakhsh, and wife of Khwāja Muhammad Sālih, died Amir Khan, Subahdār of Kabul, reached his post on Saturday, the 8th June/27th Rabi S

News came from Jaunpur that it began to rain on Wednesday, the 29th May/17th Rabi S, the lightning struck the eastern hall* where Ghairat Khan was sitting, six men died, two regained consciousness after a time, the Khan was hurt in the leg, but remained safe. On Monday, the 29th July/19th Jamad S, Muhammad 'Āzam entered Dacca. From the papers sent by Shaf'i Khan diwān of Bengal, the Emperor learnt that the Āmir-ul-umārā had drawn (spent) one kror and thirty-two lakhs of rupees in excess of his tankhwā for twelve months. He ordered that the amount should be entered as due from the Āmir-ul-umārā.

^{*}The printed text reads Iwān-i-sharqruya Is it a mistake for Sharqia, built by the Sharqi Sultans? For Subhān the MS reads Bakhtān,

CHAPTER XXII

MAD THAT OF THE LETTER 1089 A D

7th October 1678-25th September 1679

[171] On Wednesday the 16th October/10th Rampan he ordered Mir Mughis, who was going to Bengal as diwan to carry to Prince Muhammad. Azam a jewelled sarpech worth 15 thm rupees. On the 12th birthday of Kum Bakhsh he was presented with a pearl neel lace and shield with jewelled flowers (grd) Khwaji Muhammad Salih Vaosh bands Lot a robe on his marriage with the daughter of Shaikh Mir decensed Condolence robes were presented in connec tion with the death of Ghas ud-din Khan to his brothers Abdur Kalum Khan and Abdur Rahman Khan and to his son Raminddin Bahramand Khan and Sharfuddin got mourning robes for the death of their mother Muhammad Khan Bijapuri became faujdar of Oudh vice Tahawwar Khan Darab Khan was sent with a strong force to chartist the Raiputs of Khandela and demolish the great temple of the place Bahramand Khan became his deputy, and Khwan Mirza became darogha of the elephants him

On Wednesday, 6th November 1678/1st Shawwal occurred the festival of Idul fitr. News came from Peshiwar that Maharija Jaswant Singh had died on Thesday the 10th December/6th 7il Q. 'Id uz zuha took place on Monday the 18th January 1670. [172] Bahramand khan became Mir Bakhshi the I utfullah khan Tahir khan was appointed faujdar and Khidmatguzar Khan giladar of Jodhpur the home of the deceased [Mahi] Raja Shrikh Anwir became amin and 'Abdur Rahim kotwal of the place.

THE EMPEROR S FIRST JOURNEY TO AIMIR

On Thursday the 9th January 1670/6th Zil H the I mperor marched out of Dellu for Ajnur Kämgår Khan was made qiladar Fulād Khan faujdar and Itimād Khan dawān of Dellu

On Friday, the 7th February/6th Muhairam, Khan Jahan Bahadur was sent with Hasan 'Alı Khan and other high āmiis to take possession of the country of the deceased [Mahā-] Raja On the 14th February/13th Muharram, Kumār Kishan Singh, grandson of Raja Rām Singh came from home and had audience Ruhullah Khan became ākhta begi vice 'Abdur Rahim Khan On Monday, the 17th February/16th Muharram, 'Umdat-ul-Mulk Asad Khanfrom the Deccan interviewed the Emperor at Kishangarh On Wednesday, the 19th February, the Emperor arrived at Ajmır, after visiting the tomb of Khwāja Mu'inuddin, he entered the palace On Wednesday, the 26th February/ 25th Muhariam, the late Maharaja's agent reported that, his two wives who were pregnant [173] had after reaching Lahore delivered two sons with an interval of a few hours between them Shāista Khan from Agra had audience on the 28th February/27th Muharram On Sunday, the 2nd March/29th Muharram, Shāhrukh, a servant of Prince 'Azam, brought to the Court a despatch announcing the conquest of Gauliati, and received a reward of 1,000 rupees The Emperor granted to the prince a pearl necklace of 91 beads worth two laklis of supees, and a jewelled turban-end worth 25,000 rupees

On Monday, the 10th March/7th Safar, Muhammad Akbai came from Multan, had audience, and received a robe with half-sleeves and a bālāband came from Multan that 'Izzat Khan, the dismissed Subahdai of Tatta, had arrived at Multan as the deputy of Prince Akbar, and Safi Khan had started for Lahore Sayyid 'Abdullah was sent to fort Siwanah to attach the property of the deceased Raja The Amii-ul-umara was sent back to Agra with a special half-sleeve robe, a bālāband and a jewelled dagger Dārāb Khan who had been sent with a strong force to punish the Rajputs of Khandela and to demolish the great temple of the place, attacked the place on the 8th March/5th Safar, and slew the three hundred and odd men who had made a bold defence, not one of them escaping alive The temples of Khandela and Sānula and all other temples in the neighbourhood were demolished Tahawwar Khan became faujdar of Ajmir vice Iftikhar-[174] The Emperor permitted the agents of Rānā Rāj Singh to present his letter He begged that his son Kumār Jai Singh might make his bow to the Emperor, it was granted Muhammad Na'ım was ordered to act as his

guide On Tuesday, the 1st April, 1670/29th Safar, Indra Singh, son of Rão Rai Singh went to the tent and brought him to the Emperor At interview the Kumār received a special robe, a necklace of pearls and emerald, an arsi of graper, a jewelled punchi ind a female elephant. Faizullah Ahan and Mukhtur Khan who came to the Court from Morad ibad and Mālwa, were sent back to their posts Amānullah Khan became faujdar of Gwalior vice Mu'atamad Ahan. On Monday the 10th March/7th Safar the imperial camp left Ajmir for Delhi which was reached on Wednes day the 2nd April/1st Rabi. A

As all the aims of the religious Emperor were directed to the spreading of the law of Islam and the overthrow of the practices of the infidels he issued orders to the high diwam officers that from Wednesday the 2nd April 1679/1st Rabi A, in obedience to the Quranic injunction 'till they pay commutation money (jazia) with the hand in humility and in agreement with the canonical traditions, jazia should be collected from the infidels (zinimis) of the capital and the provinces. Many of the honest scholars of the time were appointed to discharge the work (of collecting jazia). May God actuate him to do that which He loves and is pleased with and make his future life better than the present!

[175] On Sunday, the 13th April 13th Rabi A Prince Muhummad Akbar was sent to Lahore and presented with a special robe of half sleeves, a quiver, a bow-case two horses with gold sāz a jewelled sarpech and a muttakā Muhammad Zaman Luhāni was made a Khan and Shāh Beg Khan Kashghari got the title of 'Abdullah Khan Iftikhār Khan and others, after being rewarded accompanied the Prince On Saturday the 19th April/18th Rabi A Kumār Jai Singh son of the Rānā was sent back to his home with a robe a pearl sarpech a ruby pendent, a jewelled turban-end, an Arab horse with gold trappings and an elephant To the Rānā Raj Singh were sent a farman a robe a jewelled sarpech and 20,000 rupees

On Sunday the 25th May /24th Rabi S, Khan Jahān Bahadur came from Jodhpur after demolishing the temples and bringing with himself some cart loads of idols, and had audience of the Emperor, who highly praised him and ordered that the idols which were mostly jewelled golden silvery bronze copper or stone should be cast in the yard (jilaukhānah) of the Court and under the steps of the Jām'a

mosque, to be trodden on. They remained so for some time and at last their very names were lost. On Monday, the 26th May/25th Rabi S, Indra Singh, son of Rão Rãi Singh, grandson of Amar Singh, was appointed Raja of Jodhpur in succession to his uncle Jaswant Singh, and given the title of Raja, a special robe, a sword, [176] with jewelled $s\bar{a}z$, a horse with gold $s\bar{a}z$, an elephant, banner, tugh, and kettlediums. He presented a tribute of thirty-six lakhs of rupees which was graciously accepted. It was formerly the practice of the Emperors to apply the $tik\bar{a}$ with their own hands to the foreheads of the great Rajas, and in this reign. Āsad Khan had by command put the $tik\bar{a}$ on the forehead of Raja Rām Singh. The practice was now forbidden, salutation (taslim) alone being declared to be enough

'Āqil Khan became Bakhshi-i-tan vice Safi Khan On Tuesday, the 24th June/25th Jamad A, Dārāb Khan of the Bani Mukhtār (Sayyid clan) died Mourning robes were presented to Jān-sipār Khan, his brother, to Muhammad Khalil, Muhammad Taqi and Muhammad Kāmyāb, his sons, and to his son-in-law Lashkari Ruhullah Khan succeeded him as mir ātish, and Bahramand Khan became ākhta begi vice Ruhullah, 'Itiqād Khan bakhshi of the āhadis vice Bahramand News came from the army of Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam that Sharzā Khan Bijāpuri had interviewed him, the Emperor created him Rustam Khan, and sent him a letter, a robe, a horse, an elephant, a banner, and kettledrums

As Raja Jaswant Singh had left no son when he died in (the province of) Kābul, his trusted servants, viz [177] Sonang, Raghunāthdās Bhātti, Ranchhor, Durgādās and others, reported to the Emperor after the Raja's death that two of his wives who were pregnant had, after their arrival at Lahore, delivered each a son These servants after reporting the fact of the birth of the sons, begged that mansab and the kingdom might be conferred (on one of them) The Emperor ordered that the sons should be sent to his Court, and that when they would come of age, mansab and 1a1 would be granted These shallow-brained people after reaching Delhi pressed their request with great insistence At this time one of the two sons died the Emperor learnt that these wicked men mischievously wished to flee, carry the second son with the two mothers to Jodhpur, and raise a tumult there, he on Tuesday, the 15th July, 1679/16th Jamad S, ordered both the Ranis and the

child, who were hving in the mansion of Rup Singh Rathor to be seized and placed in Nurgarh Kotwal, Sayaid Hamid Khan with the men of the khas chaukt Hannd Khan, son of Daud Khan, Kamaluddin Khan son of Dilir Khan and Khwaja Mir (who had got the title of Salabat Khan) with the servants of the cavalry (risala) of the late Prince Sultan Muhammid, were ordered to make these wicked men abstain from their criminal plan, [178] and to prevent them from carrying out their crude design, and if they foolishly engaged in fight, to give them proper The officers appointed tried counsel and chastisement friendly dissuasion but the wretched infidels rashly took to highting and after slaving many of the imperialists large numbers of the defenders perished When the Rajputs found themselves hard pressed by the imperialists, they slew the two Ranis, who had been brought into the field in male attire, left the second son who had been concealed in the house of a milk vendor there and then broke and fled Tulad Khan who had learnt the fact about the second son took him from the milk vendor's house to the Court. By order he was shown to the Raja s servant girls who had been made prisoners and they acknowledged him to be the Raja's son He was kept in the harem in charge of the servants of Zeb un nısa Begam, and named Muhammadı Räi Khan next day secured the ornaments and other things of the child In the tumult the property of the Raja, the two Runis, and the other Rajputs was taken away by plunderers What [179] the imperial clerks seized for the State was ordered to be delivered into the treasury (kotha) of the batt ul mal The corpses of both the Ranis and of Ranchhor the Rapput chief and the heads of thirty of their captains were counted The rest who had escaped from the imperial officers, reached Jodhpur on Wednesday 23rd July/24th They under the instigation of Durgadas and others imputed to Raja Jaswant Singh two counterfeit boys one Ran thamb (who died) and the other Ajit Singh and caused disturbances Tahir Khan faujdar of Jodhpur who had not shown any vigour in obstructing the fugitives, was dismissed and deprived of his title of Khan Indra Singh who was too incompetent to rule the country and put down the disturbances, was summoned to Court

On Sunday the 17th August/20th Rajab the Emperor visited the garden of Khizirābād A strong force was sent under Sarbuland Khan to wrest Jodhpur from the Rajputs

On Saturday, the 23rd August/26th Rajab, the Emperor learnt that Rāj Singh (Rāthor), one of the officers of the Raja, having gathered together a countless host, had encountered Tahawwar Khan faujdār of Ajmir, a severe fight was waged for three days, after the discharge of arrows and bullets, fighting at close quarters took place, mounds of the slain were formed on both sides, at last Tahawwar Khan gained the victory [180] and Rāj Singh with numberless men went to hell Indeed, so great was the valour exhibited (by the imperialists) that the Rajputs never again came forward to fight, but hid their heads in deserts and wildernesses

On Friday, the 29th August, 1679/2nd Sha'bān, Muhammad Ākbar from Lahore had audience, a robe and special jewels worth 77,000 rupees, were conveyed to his house by Khwāja Himmat

THE EMPEROR'S SECOND JOURNEY FROM DELHI TO AJMIR

On Wednesday, the 3rd September/7th Shaban, the imperial camp started for punishing the rebels. That day Muhammad Ākbar was sent from the stage of the village of Pālam, to go in advance to Ajmir, and was presented with a special robe, a bālāband, and seven horses. His subordinates, too, received favours. Itimād Khan Burhānuddin became diwān of Delhi, Mir Hidāyetullah bakhshi and newswriter, Āflātun, qiladār, 'Abdullah Chalpi, bayutāt, Nurul-Haq, son of Qāzi 'Abdul Wahhāb became a Qāzi, Abu S'aid, son-in-law of the (deceased) Qāzi, became dārogha of the 'adālat, and other officers were appointed to various posts and sent away. [181] On Tuesday, the 9th September/13th Shaban, the Āmir-ul-umārā became Subahdār of Bengal, vice Prince Muhammad 'Āzam, and Safi Khan became that of Agra. Faimāns and robes were sent (to them) with macebeaiers.

On Tuesday, the 16th September/20th Shaban, Muhtasham Khan, faujdār of Miwāt, interviewed while the Emperor was riding On Thursday, the 25th/29th Shaban, the Emperor entered the Jahāngiri palace on the bank of the Ānāsāgar lake, after visiting the tomb of Shaikh Mu'inuddin and presenting 5,000 rupees there

CHAPTER ANIII

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26th September, 1679-14th September, 1680

The Emperor spent the whole month of Ramzan in prayer. Himmat Khan Subahdar of Allahabad had audience on I'nday the 26th September/Ist Ramzan and was at once sent to serve under Prince Muhammad Akbar and presented with a special robe and a horse with gold sas a coloured sarpech adorned with an emerald for the Prince was entrusted to him. On the 2nd October/7th Ramzan a letter accompanied by a peshkash of 400 mohars was received from Prince Muhammad Azim announcing the birth of a son to the daughter of Kirat Singh. [182]. The child was named [Muhammad Karim. On the 4th October/19th Ramzan a letter was received from Dihr Khan stating that the fort of Mangalbida had been wrested from Shiyan.

On Sunday the 26th October 1679/1st Shawwal occurred the Id ul fitr *** A farmān of praise was sent to Suyan Singh for his hiving captured Shivaji s fort Hafiz Muhammad Amin Khan, Subahdar of Ahmadābad had audience, and was revarded along with his companions Fakhar khan was sent to Delhi with a robe. Tahawwar khan was given a robe, a quiver, a bow and an elephant and sent to occupi Mandal and other pargannis. Indra Singh was made thanadar of Nimbij Raghunath Singh that of Siwānah and Dhāman and Muhakam Singh Mertia that of the village of Pur. On the 24th November, a letter with 900 mohars was received from Muhammad Akbar announcing the birth of a son who was given the name of Nekusiyar.

THE EMPEROR'S MARCH FROM AJMIR TO UDAIPUR

On Sunday, the 30th November/7th Zil Q the Emperor started from Ajmir to punish the Rana Prince Akbar, coming from Merta had audience at Deorai [189]

MUHAMMAD 'ĀZAM'S RAPID MARCH FROM BENGAL

Traversing this vast distance, in spite of its difficulties, in obedience to the Emperor's command, was one of the feats of this Prince—Trustworthy men who accompanied him narrate that after midnight the Prince entered a pālki and slept—Mustafa Kāshi, Lohrāsp Beg, Qāsim Beg and thiee or four officers like them, waited on the Prince by turns From day-break to noon he rode on horseback, so that at the time of his alighting not more than two or three men were with him—Gradually the others dropped in

He left the baggage, harem, and kārkhānas with Mir Hādi and 1,000 troopers at Patna with orders to follow him From Patna to Benares, which was traversed in seven days, he was accompanied by Jahān-zeb Bānu Begam At Benares, Mir Khan and Shāh Quhi Khan Bakhshi were ordered to convey her stage by stage under escort of 2,000 troopers, they reached (Delhi) in twenty-five days, while the Prince by rapid marches finished the journey from Benares in twelve days and three hours, and had audience on Tuesday, the 16th December, 1679/23id Zil Q 'That day he had travelled seventy kos

One day when he was riding on a wretched post-horse [184] he said to Qāsim Beg, "My quiver now appears to me heavy" The Khan replied "This servant may remove it" The Prince asked "What will you do with your own quiver?" He replied "I shall fasten your quiver on my back," and did so Five hundred Khush-āspā troopers formed his retinue, and many men were favoured with the gift of horses Twelve troopers, four footmen, one chobdāi, one road-measurer (jarib-kash), and two time-keepers (ghanālis) who had been constantly in attendance, arrived with the Prince

One day, during the journey, while the Prince and his son Bidār Bakht were riding on post-horses, under the protection of God, the Shāhzāda felt very thirsty. They reached a well near a village, a water-carrier presented a cup of water, the Prince gave him two āshrafis. A villain saw it and imagined that he was a macebearer carrying a large number of āshrafis. He barred the road and shouted

^{* 22}nd October, 1679 "Recd a letter from Dacca dated the 13th instant advising that the Prince Sultan 'Azam had left the city on the 6th, and on the 12th began his journey towards Rajmahal" Hughly diary, quoted in Fort St George, Diary and consultation book for 1679,

to the servants not to advance to it and the servants did not stop at his bidding. The wretch came forward violently the Prince pierced him with an arrow through the breast. The villain fell down there and did not rise up again. The servants went on their way. Suhrab Beg, one of the officers, who was following the Prince like a shadow reached the place recognised the arrow [185] cut off the villain's head and after extracting the arrow hastened to overtake the Prince. He showed the arrow and uttered this couplet in the place of a prayer

'To all four quarters will sprend the fame of thy royal command

I'ven as the arrow has reached the heart of the foe.

After this the Prince ordered that some charn and two anna four anna pieces of gold and silver copper coins and cownes also should be kept in his pocket. At many of the stages the officers of the jagir of Shith Alam Babādur and other grandees brought costly horses, camels, and mules and presented kids and fow! But nowhere was cooked food procurable except one day from the house of the Qazi of Malpur. So he (usually) lived on dry bread, dry fruits and fried barley. One day the Shalizāda spoke of [tasting] I hichri. The servants went to a sarāi cooked it, and brought it in a second hand dish or katora of wood. Both father and son were hungry but the Prince after a look at it ordered his son to cat it. He in aversion refused to eat it. The Prince consoled him by saying 'God willing, we shall get food from the Emperor's own table in two or three days.

On the 17th December 1679/24th Zil Q Bidar Bakht was made a 8-hazari (2000 tr) Abid Khan was given the title of Qahch Khan On Saturday the 3rd January 1680/11th Zil H when the Emperor marched from Mandal [186], it was learnt that the men of the Rānā had evacuated the pass of Debāri Hafiz Muhammad Amin Khan reported that some of his servants had ascended the hill and found the other side of the pass also deserted (evidently) the Rāna had evacuated Udaipur and fled On the 4th January/12th Zil H, the Emperor encamped in the pass Hasan Ah Khan was sent in pursuit of the infidel Prince Muhammad Azam and Khan Jahān Bahādur were permitted to view Udaipur Ruhullah Khan and Ekkatāz Khan jent to

demolish the great temple in front of the Rānā's palace, which was one of the raiest buildings of the age and the chief cause of the destruction of life and property of the despised worshippers Twenty māchātor Rajputs were sitting in the temple vowed to give up their lives, first one of them came out to fight, killed some and was then himself slain, then came out another and so on, until every one of the twenty perished, after killing a large number of the imperialists including the trusted slave, Ikhlas The temple was found empty. The hewers broke the images

As Mir Shihābuddin's luck was in the ascendant, the Emperor summoned him when the Mir was stationed at midnight with a party of scouts (qaghalchis) round His Majesty's tent and said, "It is some days since Hasan 'Ali Khan entered the pass in pursuit of the infidel No news has come of him You should go and get the news." Without any delay he set out with the party of qaghalchis to execute the command Inspite of his ignorance of the state of the strange country, [187] the ups and downs, diversity of the roads, the long distance, and the fear of 10bbers, he was guided by fortune to the army of the Khan cured news and a letter from the Khan and immediately returned, reaching the imperial camp at night, two days after his starting, and had audience Without the mediation of Bakhshis to present him for making his bow of promotion, he received an increment of 200 making him a 7-sadi, the title of Khan, an elephant, and a special bow and quiver, and was again sent to Hasan 'Alı Khan to convey the Emperor's orders This was the beginning of his advancement † I shall hereafter narrate in the proper place only one of the many instances of his promotion.

Sarbuland Khan Mir Bakhshi, after a long illness died on Saturday, the 27th December, 1679/4th Zil H He was a faithful officer, good inwaidly and outwardly

On Friday, the 16th January, 1680/24th Zil H, Himmat Khan was sent to Allahabad Akbar was presented with a sarpech of ruby worth 40,000 rupees and sent to Udaipur A force with abundant materials and equipment

^{*} Māchātor — Opum-bemused Rajputs "who never rise from their beds, but to go to war" (Platt's Hindustani Dictionary)
† Mir Shihābuddin, better known as Ghāzi-ud-din Piruz Jang, was the father of the first Nizām-ul-mulk Asaf Jāh For the above incident see Ālkām-u-Ālamgiri (text ed by me) § 33, Khāfi Kh, ii 267, and Maāsir-ul-mulk Asaf Jāh For the above incident see umāra, 11 832

was despatched under Hasan 'Ali Klian to punish and pursue the Rana, his companions were rewarded when taking leave. Sharkh Razuddin the leader of his companions, did good service in this expedition and got the title of Khan Ruhullah Khan because Mir Baklishi. 100 Sarbuland Klian deceased but the name of the post was not verbally men tioned. Salabat Klian [188] replaced him as darogha of topkhana, Salabat Klian becoming darogha of ghusalkhāna ta Salabat. Tahawwar Khan got the title of Padishāh Quli Klian.

News came from I ahore that Savvid 'Ali Akbar, Qazi of the place never bound to anybody on account of his honesty brivery and spirit but in contrast with him his sister's son Savvid Pazil was foolish violent and abusive and had made the lives of the nazim and kotwal miserable by his words and deeds. At last they attempted his life The Orzi died a shameful death in the conflict with Mir Ow unuddin Khan the nazim. He and Nizāmuddin the Totaal were removed from their ranks and posts The lotaal was executed in Lahore and Qawamuddin was summoned to Court Prince Muhammad Azam became Subahdar of the Paniab vice him and received a turban end and jewelled muttakā Lutfullah Khan became deputy Subahdar Abu Nasr Khan becoming darogha of arz i nutkarrar tic him Qawamuddin Khan on reaching the Court at Ajmir was subjected to much disgrace in the Court of the Holy Law, till at last Sayyid Ah Akbar, the son of the deceased Qazi at the entreaty of the grandees of the Court gave up the demand for his execution in considera tion of his old age About the same time the Khan died out of pity for his own condition

On Saturday, the 24th January 1680/2nd Muhyrram the Emperor went to view lake Udaisāgar, constructed by the Rana and ordered ill the three temples [189] on its banks to be demolished

News crune that Hasan 'Alı Khan having crossed the pass on Wednesday, the 21st January/9th Zil H had attacked the Rāna who had fled leaving his camp and property behind. In this expedition much grain was captured by the soldiers and it led to cheapness. On the 29th January/7th Muhriram Hasan Ali Khan brought to the Emperor twenty camel loads of tents and other things cap tured from the Rams s palace and reported that one hundred

and seventy-two other temples in the environs of Udaipur had been destroyed. The Khan received the title of Bahādui 'Alamgirshāhi. On the 31st January/9th Muharram, Khan Jahān Bahādur was sent to Bhainsror (cor), and presented with a robe, a jewelled dagger, and a horse with gold $s\bar{a}z$

On Monday, the 22nd February/1st Safar the Emperor went to view Chitor, by his order sixty-three temples of the place were destroyed On Friday, the 26th/5th Safar, Khan Jahān Bahādur came from Bhainsror and had audience at Chitor and was honoured by being presented with a halfsleeve from the Emperor's own person On Sunday, the 28th February/7th Safar, Hāfiz Muhammad Āmin, Nāzim of Ahmadābād, was sent to his post, and given a robe, a horse, and an elephant On the 1st March Khan Jahan Bahādur Zafar Jang Kokaltāsh Khan became Subahdār of the Deccan vice the eldest Prince, and was presented with a 10be, a jewelled dagger, a horse, and an elephant Shaikh Sulaimān, dārogha of 'adālat, got the title of Fāzil Khan On Thursday, the 4th March/12th Safar [190] Muhammad Akbar was appointed with a well-equipped force to guard the environs of Chitor, and presented with a special robe, a pearl necklace, a jewelled jigha, a horse, and an elephant Hasan 'Alı Khan, Razıuddın Khan and others were rewarded with robes and sent with the Prince Hakim Shamsa, who had reached the Court with the daughter of 'Ādil Khan Bijāpuri, received a special robe, a hoise with gold $s\bar{a}z$, an elephant, the rank of 3-hazāri (1,000 tr), the title of Shamsuddin Khan and posting under Khan Jahān Bahādur

THE EMPLROR'S RETURN FROM UDAIPUR TO AJMIR

On Saturday, the 6th March, 1680, he started from Udaipur 'Abdullah Khan who had been deprived of his annual pension, was given the rank of a 2-hazāri (hazāi tr) and made qiladār of Agra vice 'Abdur Rasul Khan, Mukarram Khan was sent to chastise the rebels near Ranthambhor, with a robe and an elephant

On Tuesday, the 16th March/24th Safar, Yalangtosh Khan Bahādur was sent to bring the Emperor's consort, Aurangābādi Mahal, who had been summoned to Court along with Zeb-un-nisā Begam Qābil Khan, brother of 'Abul Fath Qābil Khan, mir munshi, of Tatta, an old

servant of the days of Prince Food who, in consideration of (his brother s) long service and intimate knowledge of the Emperor had been brought up and favoured by His Majesty, was led astray by his evil luck. On account of his improper lapses [191] he was removed from his rank of a hazari (70 tr.) and the post of being close to the Emperor s person and qanungoship of the subah of Tatta, with his son in law 'Abdul Was'i On his application the Emperor wrote "Go to Delhi" After his arrival, Fulad Khan was ordered to confiscate his house, to place him on a horse in the same state in which he would come out of his house, and to expel him from the city. It was done. During his two and a half years of close attendance on the Emperor (tagar rab) he had amassed twelve lakhs of rupees in cash besides articles and a newly built house. All these were now con fiscated He went to Lahore and died there Fazail Khan became darogha of dakchauks vice Qabil Khan and his heart s desire was gratified Shaikh Makhdum of Tatta munshi of Muhammad Azam, became munshi of the Emperor He received the rank of 5 sads (800 tr) a dagger with sadahkar 2 000 rupees in cash and ten pieces each of cloth fotali, jamawar and kinkhāb Afterwards he rose to be a 11/4 hazarı and got the title of Fazil Khan and the post of Sadr which he held till his death. His post under the Prince was given to Shaikh Abdul Wali, son of Shaikh Abdus Samad I afarkhām

On Monday the 22nd March the Emperor arrived at Ajnur and after first visiting the tomb of Khwaja Mu muddin entered the palace [192] Mughal Khan son of Tāhir Khan came from the Deccan had audience and was made First Mir Tuzuk. Salābat Khan was removed from his rank for some offence and succeeded by Bahramand Khan in the post of darogha of topkhāna. Abdur Rahum Khan replaced Bahramand as akhta begi. Hayāt Beg, son of Bāqi khan got the title of Khan Khwaja Kamal that of Khanjar khan and Abdul Wāhid son of Mīrzā Khan, that of Mir Khan Kamgār Khan son of Hushdar Khan, who had been removed from his rank stabbed himself in the stomach in four places but recovered through the kind attention of his relatives.

On Wednesday the 31st March 1680/10th Rabi A Waris Khan news reader who had written the third volume of the *Pādishāhnāmah* was killed with a pen knife by a mad student, whom the Khan had been taking care of with a view to saving him from molestation by other men, and whom he made to sleep near himself at night. On Monday, the 5th April, 1680/15th Rabi A, a letter was received from Shāh 'Alam Bahadur, saying that the khutba had been read in His Majesty's name in Bijapur, and coins stamped in gold and silver in his name. The courtiers bowed to express their congratulation

On Thursday, the 6th May/16th Rabi S, Muhammad 'Azam advanced one stage, by command, to welcome his sister, and conducted her and Aurangabadi Mahal to the Emperor's harem The Emperor learnt that [193] Nazar Bey the Atalia of Subhan Quli Khan, King of Balkh, was coming to Court Orders were issued to pay him 5,000 rupees from the treasury of Kabul and the same sum from that of Lahore Qalandar Bey, envoy of Balkh, had audience and received a robe, a dagger, and 1,000 tupees in cash Hāji Shaf'i Khan became diwān of Bengal vice Mir Mughis, and was succeeded by Sharif Khan as daiogha of dagh and Hāmid Khan was appointed to punish the rebels of Sojat and Jitaran Muhammad Mirak, macebearer, got the title of Khan Iftikhar Khan became faujdar of Jaunpur vice Shujā'et Khan, Multafat Khan who had been previously dismissed was now restored to the rank of a 3-hazāii (1,000 tr) and appointed faujdār of Ghāzipui Zamānia Thursday, the 20th May/1st Jamad A, Bahramand Khan, dārogha of topkhānah, who had his quarters in a garden on the other side of the lake of Anasagar, was sitting in the shade of a tree, when the lightning struck (him) The Khan jumped into a reservoir, and recovered his senses after a few hours

On Wednesday, the 9th June/21st Jamad A, news came that Khan Jahān Bahādur had reached Aurangābād and interviewed Shāh 'Alam Bahādur, and the latter had started for the Court On the 14th June/26th Jamad A, Muhammad 'Āzam and Bidār Bakht after being richly rewarded started on the expedition against the Rānā [194] Nazar Bey was given the title of Aurang Khan and the rank of 2-hazāri (700 tr), Muhammad Āmin, the title of Shāh Quli Khan, and Hāji Muhammad, that of Mir Khan

On Friday, the 25th June, Muhammad 'Āzam reached Chitor Muhammad Akbar, after interviewing (him) during a ride, started from Chitor for Sojat and Jitāran

News came from the Decean that on Friday the 14th May, 1680/24th Rabi S, Shivaji after returning from a journey dismounted from his horse, twice vomitted blood in the excess of heat, and sank down into the pit of hell.*

Abu Turāb who had been sent to demolish the temples of Amber, returned to Court on Tuesday, the 10th August/ 24th Rajab, and reported that he had pulled down sixty six temples Khwāja Mu atamad Khan qiladār of Gwalior, died on Thursday the 26th August/10th Shaban

The death of Shivaji occurred on the 4th April 1680, which would correspond to 14 Rabi A [09] A H

CHAPTER XXIV.

24TH YEAR OF THE REIGN. 1091 A.H.

15th September, 1680—31d September, 1681

Klııdmatguzār Klıan was appointed baklıslıı and newswriter of Chitor On Saturday, the 25th September, 1680/11th Ramzan, Ekkatāz Khan [195] died His sons, Mir 'Abdullah, Mir Nuiullah, and 'Ataullah, received 'Aqıl Khan, second bakhshı, became mourning robes Subahdar of Delhi and received a special robe and a jewelled dagger, with pearl 'ilaqa On Saturday, the 16th October/ 2nd Shawwal, Ghaznafar Khan was sent with 400 cavalry, Muhammad Sharif khush-manzil, and garāwals, to ascertain the stages from Ajmir to the lake of Rajsamudra On Sunday, the 24th October/10th Shawwal, Himmat Khan became First Baklıslı, a 10be and gold do-patta were sent to his house. The same day, the property of Mu'atamad Khan amounting to twelve laklis and 50,000 rupees, besides newels and animals, came to Court from Gwalior On Tuesday, the 9th November/26th Shawwal, Hāmid Khan went towards Merta to punish the Rathor rebels Of his comiades Shihābuddin Khan received a robe and a female elephant Ruhullah Khan became second and the others robes On Saturday, the 13th November/1st Zil Q, he received a robe, a horse, an elephant and a banner, and went to serve under Muhammad Akbar Mughal Khan was sent to chastise the rebels of Sāmbhar and Didwāna Beg, son of Islam Khan Rumi received the title of Nawazish Khan, a robe of honour and permission to wear the customary dress of India

On Tuesday, the 30th November/18th Zil Q, Muhammad N'aim, bakhshi of Kāmbakhsh, and other officers of that Prince received robes from the Emperor and went to serve under Akbar Sadruddin, son of Qawāmuddin Khan [196] received a robe for the death of his father \(\text{Udwat Singh Bhadauriya became qiladār of Chitor To Shahāmat Khan was sent a faimān appointing him qiladār

of Kabul, vice Sayyıd Khan deceased

On Saturday, the 18th December, 1680/6th Zil H, Lutfullah Khan who had reached the Court from Lahore, became dărogha of ghusalkhāna vice 'Abdur Rahim Khan, who became third bakhshi and received i jasper inkpot Sazawar Khan became ākhta begi vice him Ābul Qasim son of Qizi 'Ārif, peshdast of the third bakhshi, received a 'shawl Rāj Singh and Prithvi Singh Rāthor each got a robe and 2,000 rupees Aghar Khin became rāhdār of Kabul and received kettledrums A robe and a horse with gold sāz were sent to Qalich Khan with Shihābuddin Khan Dewāfkan, son of Diānat Khan, got the title of Mu'atamad Khan, and the d'āroghaship of dāgh ind tashiha vice Sharif Khan Bidār Bakht was rewarded with a pearl necklace and ruby pendaut on completing the memorisation of the Qurān

RUBILLION OF DRINCE MUHAMMAD ARBAR

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[197] On Friday, the 7th January, 1081/26th Zil H the Emperor learnt from the letters of spies approved observers and other well informed persons that through the instigation of the Rathors and some ungrateful imperial servants Prince Muhammad Akbar had rebelled promoted those of the imperial officers who agreed with him and imprisoned those whom he suspected of being unfriendly [193] The Emperor's heart was deeply grieved to hear of this sad occurrence Relying on God's help he turned his attention to remedying this mischief Bahramand Khan Mir Atish was ordered to dig trenches round the army, to place men to defend the passes, and to mount guns on the hillocks near the imperial abode Orders were sent to Hafiz Muhammad Amin Khan nāzim of Alimadabad and other chiefs that they should assist each other and firmly guard the frontiers of their provinces. At this time when the imperial army was dispersed in the task of punishing the rebel [Rajputs] the only men with the Emperor were the servants whose total number did not exceed 10 000 troopers The Emperor often said 'The hero (Akbur) has got a fine opportunity Why is he delaying (to attack me)?

On Monday, the 10th January/29th Zil H during his hunting excursion, both at the start and on return, he viewed the mahallas (muster) of many of the commanders and the

entrenchments of 'Undat-ûl-mulk Asad Khan and others 'Umdat-ul-mulk was ordered to inspect the trenches at the end of every day Orders were sent to imprison in the fort of Garli-Bithli the agent of the Prince Akbar, the agents of Shuj'āet Khan, son of Najābat Khan, and Pādishāh Quli Khan, son-ın-law of 'Ināyet Khan who had misled the Prince Shihābuddin Khan, son of [199] Qalich Khan, had gone towards Sirohi for punishing Sonang, Duigādās and other Rathors who wanted to go to Gujrat At this time the enemy (Rapputs) in a large body came to the Prince and guided him in his rebellion The Prince sent Mirak Khan to Shihābuddin to induce him with favours and gifts to join him The Khan had a large force with him and was at some distance from the Prince's army, he very wisely maiched away, rapidly covered sixty kos in two days, and joined the Emperor, bringing Mirak Khan with himself Every one of his comiades down to commanders of 200 was favoured with interview, he received robes, praise, and high promotion which will be gradually set forth Mirak Khan, who had left his tent and belongings in the Prince's camp, was presented with a 10be, 2,000 tupees in cash, and an increment of 200 (50 tr) Muhammad 'Arıf, brother of Shihābuddin Khan, got a robe and promotion All his subordinates, of high and low rank alike, were rewarded with robes and promotion On Monday, the 10th January/30th Zil H, the Emperor when riding to hunt, reviewed the troops and the entrenchments Hāmid Khan, who had been sent with the men of the chauki-i-khās and other troops to punish Durjan Singh of Merta, returned by forced marches and interviewed the Emperor while he was riding [200]

On Wednesday, the 12th January/2nd Muharram, a letter was received from Shāh 'Alam Bahādur stating that he had reached the lake of the Rana and was soon coming to meet the Emperor Asad Khan, Muhammad 'Alı Khan Abu Nasar Khan, and others went to reconnoitre in the direction of the lake of Pushkai, and retuined Himmat Khan, who was seriously ill, was left in the fort to guard

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On the 13th January/3rd Muharram, after performing the Friday prayer and reading the fatilia at the tomb of Shaikh Mu'inuddin, the Emperor started from Ajmir, and stopped at the camp of Deorai Shihābuddin Khan, who had gone forward for scouting reported that the enemy's army . was dispersed at Kurki, therefore he had stayed there during the night instead of coming to the Emperor. The High Bakhshis reported that the troops with the Emperor numbered 16 000 cavalry. They were commanded to marshal the army—the Centre the Vanguard and the Front Skir mishers together numbered 10 000, the Right and Left Wings and the Advanced Reserve were together 6,000 strong.

Spies brought the news that the Prince was advancing to fight the Emperor but his soldiers were in despair many escaping when they got an opportunity. Kamāluddin Khan and others came and joined the Emperor's camp. After the morning prayer on Sunday, the 15th January /5th Muhar ram, the Emperor considering it necessary to punish the rebels rode nearly three miles, dismounted at Doraha (cor) (201) and sat down within the payilion and cloth screens of his touring camp (dauriva). News came in quick succession that the enemy were coming. He said 'Don't advance Let them come on After the zuhar prayer, Shah 'Alam Bahadur had audience. The tent which had been at Deorai was brought by order and pitched for His Majesty's residence.

At one prahar and two gharis of night, the Emperor was kneeling on the prayer-carpet and Shah Alam Bahadur was present when the news came that Padishah Ouli Khan having come from the enemy s army had reached the door of the audience hall Lutfullah Khan darogha of the ghusalkhanth was ordered to bring him in unarmed. The wretch who had evidently some wicked intention in his mind strongly objected to taking off his arms after reaching the deorhi of the ghusalkhanah Lutfullah Khan coming in reported 'He says that he is a hereditary servant (khānah zad), and had never been made to enter anywhere deprived of his arms The Emperor said, 'He must not come in armed' Lutfullah Khan then went back to him He was seized with despair and wanted to run away But his ingra titude clogged his steps As soon as he stepped out of the screen of the door of the ghusalkhanah the men of the imperial retinue and the slaves fell upon him. As he wore currass and coat of mail under it the blows produced little effect. One struck him on the throat and silenced his dis turbance

On Saturday, the 15th January/5th Muhariam, news came that Himmat Khan, the First Bakhshi, son of Islām Khan Bahādui of the days of Princeship, [202] had died He was a good man, charitable, benevolent to all; and used to entertain in his assembly all kinds of men of learning and skill, and reward them. Both father and son had a well-balanced nature, and were expert in composing prose and verse.

Before dawn on Sunday, the 16th January, 1681/6th Muhariam, the Emperor learnt that Muhammad Akbar, who had encamped one and a half kos from him (the Emperor's tent), had fled away at midnight leaving his [203] The countiers family and children behind made then bows for this victory Music of rejoicing was played for three hours Muhammad 'Alı Khan, Khan-ısāmān, went to confiscate his stores (kārkhānajāt) Darbār Khan, nazn, brought to the Emperor Nekusiyar and Muhammad Asghai, the sons, and Safiyyat-un-msā, Zakiyyat-un-nisā and Najibat-un-nisā, the daughters, and Salıma Banu Begam the wife (mahal) and other relatives of the Prince Muhatasham Khan, the son of Shaikh deceased, M'amui Khan, Muhammad N'aim Khan, and Sayyıd 'Abdullah were released from the Prince's prison and interviewed the Emperor receiving robes Shihābuddin Khan, who had gone in pursuit, killed many of the followers and fatigued stragglers of the Prince's party Shāh 'Alam Bahādur was sent in pursuit of the Prince Qalich Khan, Khan Zamān, India Singh, Rām Singh, Sujan Singh and others were appointed under him. Fifty thousand ashrafis were presented to Shah 'Alam Bahadur, two lakhs of rupees to Prince Mu'izzuddin, three thousand ashrafis to Prince Muhammad 'Azımuddın, and fifty thousand āshrafis to Shāh 'Alam's followers Ruhullah Khan was ordered to carry this treasure to the Prince

On Monday, the 17th January/7th Muharram the Emperor returned, and after visiting the tomb of Khwāja Mu'inuddin entered the palace of Ajmir On the 19th January/9th Muharram, news came that the thānadār of Mandal had been slain and that small fort had been captured by the rebels As for the men [204] who had joined Muhammad Akbar in revolt, it was ordered that Khwājas Manzur and Muhrim should be imprisoned in Gaih-Bithli, Murtaza Quli in Alwar, Farāq (or Qazzāq) Khan in Gwalior, and Muhammad Hātim, son of Ghaznafar Khan in Kāngra,

Qızı Khubullah, Muhammad 'Aqıl, Shaiklı Taivyab, and Mir Ghulam Muhammad of Amroha, who had affixed their scals to a decree declaring the deposition of His Majesty as demended by religion, were sent to fort Garh Bithli after being tied to planks and severely flogged. Many others were flogged and imprisoned Zebunnisa Begam, whose letters to Muhammad Akbar were discovered was deprived of her innual pension of four laklis of rupees her property was confiscreted and she was lodged in fort Salimgarh. On the 23rd January , 19th Muharram Kambakhsh was married to I al hr i Jahan Khanum, daughter of Barkhurdar Beg, man On the 26th January /16th Muharram Auranga badı Mahal, Salima Banu Begam (wife of Muhammad Albar) and other dependents were sent to Delli News came from the army of Shah Alam Bahadur that he had reached I dor and Muliammad Akbar Sanchor, and that Qalich Khan

was hastening in pursuit with a force

The news writer of the army of Muhammad Azam reported that he (the Prince) having learnt that the Rana s divan Day ild is wanted to make a night attack had sent Dilawwar Khan against that wretch A battle ensued, [205] many of the enemy were slain after slaying his wife he broke away his daughter and a few other persons were taken prisoners Oalich Khan who had come to Court without the Prince's permission, was refused audience. At first Ihtimām Khan, kotwal kept him under surveillance then he was made over to Salabat Khan Muhammad Ibrāhim surnamed Shuj aet Khan left Akbar and came over to Shah 'Alam who sent him to the Court where he was made over to Salabat Khan and kept under surveillance in the Akbari palace Hafiz Muhammad Amin Khan sent a letter stating that Muhammad Akbar, having advanced with the Rathors by way of the hill of Dongar to the territory of the Rana wanted to go to Ahmadabad at this time spies brought the news that after passing by Rajpipla he had gone to the Decean by way of Sarangarh Sazawar Khan was imprisoned with his son for an offence made over to Jalal Beg Ming Muhammad Shaf'ı mushrif of ghusalkhanah who evidently shared his guilt was dismissed from his rank and post Mughal Khan became akhtahegi vice him and Bahra mand Khan, Mir Tuzuk vice Mughal Khan Mirza Muham mad son of Murshid Quli Khan got the mushrifi of ghusal khanah Tāpidās peshdast of Ruhullah Khan, and Bāl kishan his munshi were made over to the kotwāl, as they

weie securities for Gangārām, an 'amla of Khān Jahān Bahādui, who had rebelled in the province of Allahabad letter came from Khan Jahān Bahādur stating [206] that Muhammad Akbar had passed by Burhanpur on Sunday, the 16th May, 1681/7th Jamad A, and entered the territory of Sambhā, who had kindly and honourably given him shelter in his dominion Muhammad Māsih and other sons, brothers and sons-in-law of Himmat Khan deceased, received mourning robes Ashraf Khan became First Bakhshi vice the deceased, and Kāmgāi Khan became news-reader vice Ashraf Khan, his own place of bayutāt being taken by 'Inavet Khan Bad'i-uz-zaman Mahabatkhani whose skill helped him in the service of the Emperor, got the title of Rashid Khan and became peshdasi of khālsa vice 'Ināyet Khan On Sunday, the 30th January, 1681/20th Muharram, Mn Sayvid Muhammad Qanauji came from Dellii and had audience One thousand supees and two trays of fruits were sent to him

On Tuesday, the 1st February/22nd Muhariam, Shihābuddin Khan with the division under him, received 10bes, a dagger, and a kalgi. On Tuesday, the 1st Maich, Irij Khan was appointed Subahdai of Burhanpur vice Khan Jahan Bahadur, (on 1st March) Afrasiab Khan, son of Islam Khan, came from his faujdari of Dhamuni and had audience Sayyıd Ashraf [var. Sharif] was made a khān and min-isāmān of Begam Sahib On Sunday, the 20th March/10th Rabi A, Faizullah Khan left for Moi ādābād, after receiving an elephant and a 10be 'Ināyet Khan became faujdāi of Ajmir, and began to make strong exertions for punishing the Rāthors [207] Khān Mirzā, envoy of the ruler of Urganj, had audience on Friday, the 25th March/15th Rabi A, and received a robe and belt-dagger. On the 16th April when taking leave, he was presented with a jewelled jigha, 5,000 tupees, a mohat weighing fifty mohats, and a rupee weighing one hundred rupees. A jewelled sword worth 2,000 rupees was sent with him to Anusha Khan, ruler of Urganı

On Saturday, the 9th April/30th Rabi A, Muhammadi Rāj, son of Jaswant Singh came to Court from Delhi, on the 23rd April/14th Rabi A, Hāmid Khan, son of Dāud Khan, became faujdār of Bhojpur, Mirak Khan that of the Jalandhar Doab, Murid Khan qiladār of Kābul vice Shahāmat Khan, and Raja Māndhāta, thānadār of Ghorband Saifullah Khan, mir bahar, who had joined the service of

Shah 'Alam Bahādur, and received no reward, was ordered to be paid 5,000 rupees on behalf of the Prince which amount was to be deducted from the cash dues of the Prince Ashraf Khan Mir Baklishi, and Itimād Khan, peshdast of the daftar i tan received crystal ink pots. On Sunday the 8th May/80th Rabi S, Qalich Khan having been released from the prison of punishment, had audience. On Thursday, the 23rd June/16th Jamad S he received for the second time the high post of Sadr, vice Razavi Khan deceased

The Rana had fled from his country and abode * * * and received severe chastisement from the imperial army The thousand vears' home of the desert rat was overturned by the hoofs of the horses [208] of the imperialists. He fled as fur as his frontier, and then, when his powers were exhausted and no resource was left save to beg for quarter he begged Prince Muhammad 'Azam to intercede for him, offered to cede the parganahs of Mandal Pur and Badhnur as a substi tute for jazia and to interview the Prince as the means of saving his country and property The Prince pitying him reported his requests to His Majesty who overlooked the Rana's offences and resolved to gratify the Prince by acced ing to his proposal Accordingly on Tuesday the 14th June, 1681/7th Jamad S, the Rana interviewed the Prince at the lake of Rajsamudra. Dilir Khan and Hasan 'Ali Khan advanced to conduct him to the Prince He presented 500 ashrafis and eighteen horses with gold and silver saz The Prince graciously ordered him to sit on the left side and presented him with a robe, a jewelled sword, a dagger with phulkatāra a horse with gold saz and an elephant with silver saz His title of Rana was restored and he was created a 5 hazārı (same tr) and then permitted to return His followers received 100 robes ten jewelled daggers and forty When the Rana went to the house of Dilir Khan the Khan on his part sent men to welcome him nine thans of cloth, one jewelled sword a shield with jewelled gul a spear carved in relief, nine horses and one elephant were presented to him and three cloths, a jewelled dagger a jewelled ars: a jewelled armlet (bazuband) and two horses to the son of the Rana

Multafat Khan after removal from the faujdāri of Ghāzipur Zamānia had become faujdar of the environs of Agra He was wounded in attacking a village and died on Sunday the 26th June/19th Jamad S On Friday the 1st July 1681/24th Jamad S, Khān Zamān Khan, son of

'Āzam Khan and son-ın-law of Āsaf Khan who had come with Shāh 'Alam from the Deccan and so long served under the Prince, became Subahdār of Burhānpur vice Irij Khan, and received a robe, a horse with gold trappings and an increment of 1,000 troopers, making him a 5-hazāri (2,000 tr) On the 6th July/29th Jamad. S, Shāh 'Alam Bahādur who had hastened from Sojāt and Jitāran, interviewed the Emperor Tarbiyat Khan was appointed faujdār of Jaunpur on the death of Iftikhār Khan who had been appointed to this post after his removal from the Subahdāri of Ajmir Nizāmuddin Ahmad became faujdār of Sirhind vice Shukrullah Khan, Jānsipār Khan became qiladār of Bidar vice Mir Muhammad Khan deceased Bahramand Khan [210] became dārogha of ghusalkhānah vice Lutfullah Khan, who became dārogha of 'arz-i-mukanan vice Shihābuddin Khan.

News came from Morādābād that Faizullah Khan, son of Zāhid Khan Kokah of Pādishāh Begam, had died He had great intimacy with the Emperor, and the Begam Sahib He lived like one of the free, and never bowed his head in supplication to any man He was good, agreeable and charitable, indifferent to the affairs of this world His only companions were all kinds of rare animals, beasts of prey, wild beasts, birds, grazing cattle, and serpents, that were procured for him from far-off countries and ports. In short, he had an odd nature Eventually he got elephantiasis, and used to be carried about on an elephant. When he had to see His Majesty, he did not come to the darbār, but interviewed him while passing with his cortege. Afrāsiāb Khan became faujdār of Morādābād vice him

On Sunday, the 10th July/4th Rajab, Prince Muhammad 'Āzam and Sultān Bidār Bakht returned from the war

with the Rānā, and had audience in private

On Tuesday, the 19th July/13th Rajab, Siddi Yahya brought to the harem Shahar Bānu, the daughter of 'Ādilshāh Bijāpuri' She was married to Muhammad 'Āzam on the 26th July/20th Rajab, The Emperor tied the sahara, Qāzi Shaikh-ul-Islām celebrated the marriage, in the mosque of khās and 'ām (Jām'a mosque) In accordance with the example of the Prophet (at his marriage with Khadija) the marriage portion was 500 dirham

On Saturday, the 30th July/24th Muharram, [211] Muhammad Kām Bakhsh was married to Jamiat-unnisā alias Kalyān Kumāri, daughter of Amarchand, sister of

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On Saturday, the 6th Augus /1st Shibin, a letter was received from Islian Jalian Laliadur to eas that Akbar was living in the fort of Pali near fort Maspuli * 200 cavalry and bee infantes were with him and Sambha had assigned a terriron to them

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On Sunday the 11st July 1681/20th Royals Prince Muhammad Aram sot the title of Shah and was appointed to the Decean expedition. Khidmats ir Khan conveyed to his house a robe with a baliband and a sarbich. The Prince made his salutation in the khawabgah and was there are sented with a half sleeve union with pearls worth two laklis fifty thousand and four hundred rupces and with a sword two Arab and Iraqi horses a Gai manik clephant and five hunting leopards in the Audience Hall Sultan Bidar Bakht at the same time as his father [212] received a robe of farewell a horse and a sewelled lathan. The Prince's followers were rewarded

On Timesday the 16th August/19th Shaban, order was resuct to 'Umdat ul mult. Asad Khan to conduct, under the escort of his own men. Hakim Muhasan Khan to Delhi and bring to the I'mperor a receipt stamped with the seal of Fulad Khan Raja Blum Singh brother of Rana Jan Single came to Court in hope of service. Muhammad N'aim who had conveyed a robe of condolence for the death of Rana Raj Singh to his son Rānā Jai Singh returned and had audience He had received (from the Rāna) 4 000 rupees in cish two horses 10 thans of cloth and four camels. He was permitted to retain them instead of surrendering them to the State

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CHAPTER XXV

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4th September, 1681—23rd August, 1682

The Emperor's march from Ajmir to Burhanpur

On Monday, the 5th September 2nd Ramzan, the Emperor issued orders for his camp to be moved from Ajmii towards Burhanpur On Thursday, the 8th/5th Ramzan, he started from that city and halted at the stage of Deorai On Friday, the 9th September/6th Ramzan, Shāhzāda Muhammad 'Azım was sent back to Ajmir, after being presented with a special robe, a pearl smaram, a jewelled dagger, a sword, a horse, and an elephant [213] ul-mulk Asad Khan was appointed to accompany him, and received a special robe, a jewelled dagger, and a horse 'Itiqad Khan, son of Asad Khan, Kamaluddin Khan, son of Dilir Khan, Raja Bhim and his son, Dindar Khan, son of Nāmdār Khan (who became Marhamat Khan) and others, after being given robes, jewels, horses and elephants were appointed to this army 'Inayet Khan, faujdar of Ajmir, and Sayyıd Yusuf Bukharı, qıla'dar of Garh Bıthli, weie sent back On Saturday, the 10th September/7th Ramzan, news came from Delhi that Jahanara Banu Begam had died on Tuesday, the 6th September, 1681/3rd Ramzan was buried in the compound of the sepulchre of Shaikh Nızām-ud-dın Āulia, where she had constructed her own tomb in her lifetime The Emperor was very sorry to hear of the death of his loving eldest sister and forbade the beating of naubat for three days This lady, now wrapped up in divine forgiveness, was endowed with the gracious quality of charity and the noble trait of benevolence She always took care to be polite in her manners to her equals and bestowed her gifts and compassion on the general public death) the shade of bounty was withdrawn from the head of the world, and the store of liberality disappeared from the hand of the age The Emperor ordered her title to be written as Sāhibat-uz-zamāni

[211] He bestowed favours on her servants and dependants Urbak Khan Nazar Bey, who had been dis mussed from runk and permitted to go to Mecca, died on Wednesday the 21st September/18th Ramzan On Monday the 10th October/7th Shawwal Mukhtar Khan had audience and the next day received an 'asa with a jasper handle On Saturday the 22nd October/19th Shawwal news came that I ulad Khan fauidar of Delhi had died Shukrullah khan succeeded him On Thursday the 27th October/21th Shawnal Qalich Khan was sent on the Descrip expedition and presented with a special robe horse and kettledrums Shihabuddin Khan was ordered to guard the rear of the imperial army till the arrival of the camp-followers News came that Muhammad 'Azam had left Burhanpur for Aurangabad on the 29th October/26th Shawwal and reached the latter place on Friday the 11th November, 10th Zil O

On Sunday the 13th November/12th Zil Q, the Limperor reached Burhampur News came that on the 14th November Itiq id Khan and other imperialists had attacked the Rathors who had assembled in a body of nearly 8,000 troopers in Merta a severe battle was fought. Five hundred of the enemy [215] fell in the battle including Sonang, his brother Ayıb Singh Shyımıldas Bihāridas, Gokuldas and other chicfs killed or wounded The rest fled away Many of the imperialists were slain Sardār Tarin Sher Afkan and others were wounded 'Itiqād Khan received an increment of 500, and his followers too were rewarded On Tuesday the 22nd November /21st Zil Q, Abdunnabi Beg Rozbhani got the title of Khan and the daroghaship of the Deccan artillery At midnight on the 23rd November two chambers of gunpowder near the citadel of Burhanpur fort caught fire many men were killed That very night robbers attacked the camp (daira) of Lutfullah Khan Kokali near Lalbagh at Dacca, six men were slain, twenty wounded and the property was looted

The news writer of Junnar wrote that a son was born to a zamındar having two branches or horns of the length of a finger on his head. The child died after two days. A woman delivered a daughter with a black head and face and a red and white nose the child lived.

Hasau 'Alı Khan coming from Islamibād (Mathura) interviewed, and after being given a robe a horse and an elephant, was sent on the Deccan war Raziuddin Khan, who was by command superintending the imperial household and the force attached to it, was sent away On Monday, the 21st November/20th Zil Q, the Emperor [216] visited the tomb of Shaikh 'Abdul Latif After reading the fātiha, he prayed to the saint's soul for help in crushing the enemy of the true faith On the 22nd November/21st Zil Q, Rahman Quli, envoy of Bukhārā, reached the Court He presented two horses, ten pairs of dāna-i-kesh, and one camel He was rewarded with a robe and 5,000 rupees and sent back Ghaznafar Khan was sent to convey treasure to the army of Muhammad 'Āzam Shah Shihābuddin Khan became Mir Bakhshi of āhadis Salābat Khan was restored to his rank and made dārogha of artillery vice Bahramand Khan.

On Wednesday, the 30th November/29th Zil Q, the zamındar of Chanda visited the Emperor and presented four elephants and mine horses. On Sunday, the 1st January, 1682/2nd Muharram he was sent home with a special robe, a horse with gold sāz, an elephant, and an emerald sarpech A letter was received from Khan Jahān Bahādur stating that he had plundered Siwāpur. Muhammad Shāh, son of Muhammad Ali Khan Dārā Shukohi, was sent as envoy to Golkonda. Ruhullah Khan was sent to attack Bijāpur Shihābuddin Khan and the servants of the retinue, and Fath M'amur, son of Dilir Khan, were ordered to accompany him. Lutfullah Khan became news-reader vicc Kāmgār Khan

On Sunday, the 5th February 1682/7th Safar 'Abdul Rahim Khan, the third bakhshi died and was buried in his father Islām Khan's tomb at Aurangābād Kāmgār Khan succeeded him [217] News came that the Rāthors had attacked the parganah of Mandal-Pur and carried off much property

THE EMPEROR'S MARCH I'ROM BURHANPUR TO AURANGABAD

He started from Burhanpur on the 28th February. 1682/1st Rabi A On the 1st March, Muhammad Mu'izzuddin was sent away from Bahādurpur to stay at Burhanpur, after being presented with a robe, a sarpech, a sword, and an elephant Khan Zamān, the nāzim was appointed to accompany him and received a special robe

Hamid khan was ill interviewed the Imperor, and was kindly ordered to stay in Burhanpur till his perfect recovery and the Imperor untying the bālāband from his own waist presented it to him. Shaikh Jahān, daughter's son of old Shaikh Ibrahim qiladar and faujdar, was sent back to Asir.

On the 19th March, 1682 20th Muharram, Muhammad Azam Shah having come from Aurangabād to Kumari interviewed the Lingeror On Wednesday, the 22nd March 23rd Muharram the Lingeror reached the palace of Aurang ibad. Yalangtosh Khan Bahādur became qurbegi ne Ābu Nisar Khan. The Emperor visited the ab pash darah (the watershed of the valley) and the garden of Larman Buri. The gurdeners were all rewarded. Kumār Kiehan Singh son of Raja Rum Singh died on Monday the 10th April. 12th Rabi. S. of wounds received in a brawl. On the 13th April. his son Bishan Singh got his father's place with the mansah of a hazari (400 tr.). On Sunday the 16th April. 18th Rabi. S. Thavetullah, son of S'adullah Khan, jot the title of Ikhlās Khun. Jāmshid Khan, son of [218] Daud Khun who was lying ill in Burhanpur, died

On Thursday the 6th April/8th Rabi A, Chimnān zatuindar of Khari garh ind servant of Sambhā came to the Emperor and received a robe. Makarand Singh, son of Pratab Singh zanundar of kalibhit was imprisoned by Khan Jahan Bahādur for non payment of money dues. By order he was sent to Court. He was only seven years old On Thursday the 11th May/14th Jamad. A he was released from prison and permitted to return home. On Saturday, the 13th May/16th Jamad. A, Yadgār Ah the agent of Sikandar. Adil Khan king of Bijapur, was given a robe and 2 000 rupees and Shaikh Hasan, the agent of Siddi Mas'aud Bijapuri a robe and 1 000 rupees and dis missed. The elephant and ring sent as peshkash by Sikan dar were not accepted but returned with the agent Muham and Masum, agent of Qutbulmulk, king of Golkonda interviewed and received a robe. He presented as peshkash two lakhs and 44,000 rupees.

On Saturday the 20th May/23rd Jamad A Sharif Khan went out to forage when the enemy appeared, and a severe fight was fought man of the infidels being slain Zähid Khan Churäghäsi and Safullah and Ahasānullah grandsons of S'aid Khan were slain Qamruddin Khan, qarāwwal begi, killed a nilgāu with three shots of his musket and piesented it to the Emperor, its length was 3 gaz and $6\frac{1}{2}$ giiah, its height 2 gaz and 3 girah, and its tail 1 gaz and $3\frac{1}{2}$ giiah

On Tuesday, the 23rd May/26th Jamad A, Ruhullah Khan was sent to chastise the rebels near Ahmadnagar, and received a sword [219] damascened with gold Khan was appointed sazāwal for the assault on fort Rāmsij On Wednesday, the 14th June/18th Jamad S, Muhammad 'Azam Shah was given leave to march towards Bijapur robe, two horses, an elephant, a muttaka, a kalgr, a punchi and an aisi were presented to him Bidar Bakht was given a robe, a horse and an elephant, and sent with his father Muhammad Panāh, adopted son of the Shah ('Āzam) got an emerald parkhanah Shamsuddin Khan and other subordinates of the Prince were rewarded Sharif Khan became Sadr of Hindustan vice Qalich Khan Yaswant Rao Deccani was made a 4-hazāii (same tr) and given a jewelled aisi 'Abdullah, 'Abdul Hadı, and 'Abdul Baqı, sons of Iftikhar Khan came to Court after their father's death and received mourning robes

On Monday, the 26th June/1st Rajab, news reached the Emperor that on the 16th Hafiz Muhammad Amin Khan, Subahdar of Ahmadabad, had died He was endowed with uprightness, greatness, goodness of speech, and devotion to the Emperor He had a wonderful memory During his Subahdāri of Ahmadābād he succeeded in memorising the Qurăn, in a very short time Mukhtār Khan replaced him as Subahdār [220] of Ahmadābād, Khān Zamān becoming that of Malwa in his place Mughal Khan was ordered to stay in Burhanpur in the place of Khan Zaman Muftakhar Khan, son of Fakhar Khan became qarawwal begi vice Qamruddın Khan, son of Mukhtar Khan, while the latter accompanied his father Atish Khan became Mir Tuzuk Sılāh Khan Kānhoji Deccani interviewed Emperor and was made a 5-hazārı (same tr) On Friday, the 18th August, 1682/24th Shaban, Khan Jahan Bahadur Zafar Jang Kokaltāsh came from Gulshanābād [Nāsık] and had audience He received a special robe, a jewelled dagger. and fourteen trays of food from the royal table Munawwar Khan was sent to Burhanpur vice Mughal Khan Mir 'Abdul Karım, son of Amır Khan, sarbārı of khawases, a favourite of the Emperor, became darogha of the

ja namazkhanah acc 'Abdul Qadir, son of Hafiz Ibrahim Ikhlas kesh, news writer, one of the disciples of Mulla 'Abdullah Sialkoti, was given this special name on Sunday, when he was converted to Islam and made mushinf of the purchase department [221]

CHAPTER XXVI

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24th August, 1682—13th August, 1683

On Friday, the 25th August / 2nd Ramzan, Hamiduddin Khan, son of Mırzā Abu S'aid, brother's son of Nur Jahan Begam, was sent as faujdar of Mungi-Pattan, vice Karamullah Khan deceased The sons of the deceased received robes On Monday, the 28th August/5th Ramzan, gracious robes for Yāqut Khan and Khairiyat Khan, fauidār of the country of Danda Rajpuri, were entrusted to On the 30th, Khan Jahan Bahadur Bahramand Khan Kokaltāsh was sent to Gulshanābād with a special robe, a kamarband, a horse, and an elephant Jagdeo Rai, biother of Jādav Rāi Deccani, had audience and received a robe Saturday, the 2nd September/10th Ramzan, Muhammad Taqı, son of Dārāb Khan, was married to Bahramand Khan's daughter, and received a robe, a horse, and a pearl Sālih Khan, son of 'Āzam Khan deceased, became mir baklıslı of the ahadis vice Shihabuddin Khan Sayyıd Yusuf, one of the sons of Mir Sayyıd Muhammad Gisudarāz [222], was given leave to go to Gulbarga, and presented with a female elephant All the servants at the Court and the provinces received robes for the rains On Monday, the 18th September/26th Ramzan, Muhammad Mu'ızzuddın came from Burhanpur and had audience, receiving a robe Ranmast Khan, brother of Khizir Khan Pani, Daud Khan and his brother Sulaiman Khan interviewed and received Sayyıd Mubārak Khan, qıladār of Daulatābād, came to Court and later went back Lutfullah Khan became darogha of the imperial retinue and khās chauki 28th September/6th Shawwal, Prince Muhammad Mu'ızzuddın was sent to punish the rebels near Ahmadnagar, after being given a robe, a pearl necklace, an emerald muttaka, a powerful horse, and an increment of a hazāi troopers, making him a 8-hazāri (6,000 tr) Ranmast Khan, Dāud Khan, Ghaznafar Khan and other subordinate officers and servants (of the Prince) were sent away with rewards

Sharif Khan, Sadr died on Wednesday the 4th October/12th Shawwal His sons, Muhammad 'Adil and Muhammad Salih, received robes of mourning Shaikh Makhdum munshi became chief Sadr, and Muhammad Salih Kambuh peshdast of the Sadr vice Mir Husain Sardar Tarin excame faujdar of Shiwgaon 'Azizullah Khan brother of Ruhullah Khan became Mir Tuzuk vice Muhammad Yar Ikhlas kesh became mushrif of Ia namaz khanah [223] Heday etullah son in law of Khalifa Sultan, was sent as diwan of Delhi Shukrullah Khan became faujdar of Sikandarabad and kamil Khan that of Saharanpur Muhanmad Masih son of Himmat Khan, became Mir Tuzuk nce Silah Khan On the 23rd October/2nd Zil O the Emperor learnt that Inayet Khan fauldar of Almir had died On Thursday the 2nd November/12th Zil Q Hamida Banu Begam, mother of Ruhullah Khan died The Emperor graciously sent Muhammad Kam Bakhsh and Ashraf Khan, Mir Bakhshi to Ruhullah's house to condole with him and bring him to Court Robes were given to him and to his brothers Zinatunnisa Begam visited his house by command

On Tuesday the 5th December/15th Zil H Kāmyab khan was appointed bakhshi of the Deccan and sent to the army of Khan Jahān Bahādur Sayyid Muhammad, sister s son of Hāfiz Muhammad Amin Khan deceased came from Ahmadābad and had audience, receiving a robe, Subhān wardi son of Yalangtosh Khan Bahadur, from Delhi, had interview, and received a robe On Tuesday the 26th December/6th Muharram Shihābuddin Khan was appointed in his absence dārogha of the macebearers vice Mukarram Khan Sayvid Ughlān acted as his deputy Muhammad Ali Khan Khān i sāmān, owing to great weakness fell down from the kathra the Emperor gave him a phial of rose water, bid i mishk and a few pomegranates The building of a fortified city wall for Aurangabad had been entrusted to [224] Ihtamām Khan 'Abdul Qādir, son of Amānat Khan guaranteed that he would complete it in four months On Saturday the 20th January 1683/1st Safar Khan Jahān Bahādur came within three kos of Aurangābād for interview A robe was sent with his son Nasrat Khan to convey to him the order that he should not come to have interview but must proceed towards Bidar, and stay there

so that he might go in pursuit in whatever direction he might hear of Akbar coming. On Tuesday, the 6th February/18th Safar, Khan Jahān Bahādur reported to the Emperor that the rebel Akbar, having come out of the territory of Sambhā, had fled away in a ship

The Emperor ordered that mansabdars below two hazāns must not wait to have the fātīha read when taking leave of the Emperor, the exception to it being those officers in whose case the Emperor would himself raise his hand to bless them by means of the fātīha, and that dismissed Qāzis should not be reappointed Qāzis

On Thursday, the 22nd February/5th Rabi A, Silāh Khan was entrusted with one hundred Arab, 'Iraqi, Turki and Kachhi horses, a hundred camels, twenty mules, a tall elephant, jewels worth 80,000 rupees, a robe worth 2,000 iupees and other dresses worth 14,000 rupees, for Muhammad 'Āzam Shah, robes for Bidār Bakht and Gaiti Ārā Begam, and robes for all their officers according to their ianks, and he was ordered to summon each of the commanders separately for istiqbāl, give him his robe, and after making bows for the Emperoi they were to go to the Prince.

On Wednesday, the 28th February/11th Rabi A, by command, Kām Bakhsh held audience in the old ghusalkhānah [225] and conferred favours on the officers of the Emperor and his own Bahramand Khan was ordered to be present whenever the Prince held Court, and to remain standing On Sunday, the 4th March, 1683/15th Rabi A, Kām Bakhsh was married to Azarm Bānu, daughter of Sıādat Khan Safavı Khıdmatgār Khan conveyed to the Prince's house a special robe with half-sleeves woven with pearls, and Khidmat Khan jewels worth two lakhs and 26,000 rupees Five lakhs of rupees in cash, two Arab and 'Iraqı horses, and an elephant were presented to the Emperor (as salāmi) The knot was tied in the mosque in the presence of the Qazı Shaıkh-ul-Islam After one piahai of night was over, the Emperor himself placed a pearl sahra on the Prince's head, and, by order, all the grandees formed a lane on foot from the deor hi of the ghusalkhanah to the deor hi of the mahal of Zmatunmsā and conducted the bridegroom grand and joyous festivity marked the occasion.

On Sunday, the 11th March/22nd Rabi A, Husain Miāna, one of the grandees of Bijapur, interviewed the Emperor, and was welcomed at the gate of the ghusalkhānah

by Atish Khan At the time of interview Ashraf Khan from the platform (chabutra) said 'welcome He was granted the rank of 5 hazari (same tr), a banner kettledrums, the title [226] of Fath Jung Khan, and 40,000 rupees as in am

His brothers and relatives got proper robes and ranks Man Singh son of Rup Singh, faujdar of Mandal Pur was given the fauidiri of Badhnaur in addition vice Dalpat Udwat Singh son of Maha Singh Bhadauriya, got the fitle of Raja on his father's death Saif Khan, the dismissed Subahdar of Biliar reached Court on the 8th March 1689/ 19th Rabi A As he had taken out of the treasury of the province 56 000 rupees without the authorisation of the Emperor, he was refused audience By order Mughal Khan kept him confined in the guard room of Bahramand Khan till the 3rd April/15th Rabi S when the money was made Lood Mukarrim Khan after deprivation of the fortune of audience was honoured with an interview on Saturday the 31st March 12th Rabi S Khusrau Beg the slave brought the property of Hafiz Muhammad Amin Khan deceased from Ahmadabid to the Court seventy laklis of rupees and one lakh and thirty five thousand ashrafi and Ibrahimi coins, seventy six elephants 432 horses 117 camels 114 mules ten chests of Chinaware of all kinds sixty carts (rahkala).

one maund of shot 54 maunds of gunpowder

On Saturday the 21st April/4th Jamad A the Emperor learnt that Durjan Singh Hada had taken Bundi by siege On the 25th Muhammad Sharif ambassador of the king of Bukhara, had audience and received a robe Bakhshi ul mulk [227] Ruhullah Khan reached the Court from the Konkan expedition and received a robe a jewelled dagger and an Arab horse Azizullah Khan his brother Nawizish Khan Rumi and Akram Khan Deccam each received a robe and an elephant Sayyid Abdullah of Barha alias Savvid Mian one of Ruhullah's subordinates and a servant of Shah 'Alam, a hazarı (600 tr) received a mansab in the imperial service (zabita) Savvid Nur Muhammad of Barha got the title of Sayyid Khan and Savvid Muzaffar, one of the grandees of Haidarabad whom Abul Hasan Qutbulmulk had imprisoned through the prompting of his all powerful minister Madanna Brahman, and who had been released from prison by the imperial ambassador at the anstance of the Emperor, arrived at the Court On the day of interview he received a special robe and a jewelled dagger His two sons got high mansabs and the titles of Asalat Khan

and Najabat Khan On the 9th May / 22nd Jamad, A, Haii Singh, brother of Chhatra Singh, zamındar of Garha, had audience, and received a robe, Sayyid Ahmad, brother of the ıuler of Barbary (maghiib-zamın), came to the Emperor and was highly favoured, receiving a robe, a jewelled dagger and 5,000 rupees Mughal Khan was appointed to extirpate Durjan Singh Anirudh Singh, grandson of Bhao. Singh Hādā, was sent to Bundi, after receiving a robe, a horse, an elephant and kettledrums [228] Udwat Singh, son of Mahā Singh Bhadauriya, Sayyid Muhammad 'Ali, sister's son of Hāfiz Muhammad Āmin Khan deceased, Khwāja Bahāuddin, son-in-law of Sulaiman Shukoh, and others, after being rewarded with robes, horses and elephants, were appointed to accompany the aforesaid Khan On Monday, the 21st May/4th Jamad S, Ayyub Beg, ambassador of Kāslighar, was dismissed after being presented with a robe, a dagger and 2,000 rupees

Khwāja 'Abdur Rahim was appointed envoy to Bijapui and ieceived a robe, a horse, and 1,000 rupees. Sayyid 'Abdullah was restored to his title of 'Izzat Khan and appointed diwān of the army of Muhammad 'Āzam Shah Dilir Khan, Fath Jang Khan and others, who had been appointed to the Bijapur expedition, were ordered to stay at Court till the anival of Muhammad 'Āzam Shah Kishordās, son of Manohardās Gaur, became qiladār of Sholāpur Shihābuddin Khan having come from the side of Junnar,

interviewed Friday, the 29rd June/14th Rajab, Princes Muliammad Mu'izzuddin from Zafarābād [Bidar] and Muhammad 'Azım from Burhanpur, arrıved and had audience Prince Muhammad Raf'i-ul-qadr showed a piece of nastāliq writing of his own, and received a sarpech of ruby On Sunday, the 15th July/30th Rajab, when the 41st year of Shāh 'Alam Bahādur's life began, he was presented with a jewelled turban-end worth one lakh and 5,180 The Emperor learnt that the great scholar Mulla 'Abdullah, son of Mulla 'Abdul Hakım Sıālkotı had dıed The Emperor [229] favoured his four sons and widow with 10bes and increase of stipend This prince of scholars, with all his learning was strongly inclined towards piety (faq1), and had secular learning united with spiritual knowledge The Emperor, who recognised wisdom and sanctity, knew the true value of such men, and while he was staying at Ajmir, wrote him a letter with his own hand, offering the

sadrship to him And that intimate courtier, Bakhtawar Khan who on account of his friendship with scholars and hermits was the intermediary of their applications to the Luperor was ordered to write to the Mulla on his own behalf giving him a hint of this matter After the farman and the letter had been received, the Mulla wrote in reply to the klinn '(The present) is the time of separation, (from the world) and not a time for acquiring fame in this world In obedience to the Emperor's command I am going to the Court and shall secure the blessing of visiting the tomb of Khwaya Mu muddin and interviewing the Emperor' I mixtor liked these words from this chief of wise men As he had written he came to Ajmir and stayed at Court for some days constantly enjoying the Emperor's company After performing the pilgriminge to the saint's tomb he returned home with the Emperor's consent, and died there (shortly) afterwards

[230] The Emperor learnt that Prince Muhammad Azam Shah who had been summoned to the Presence from the bank of the Nira had arrived by forced marches, inspite of the excess of runs and abundance of mud, and that on account of the lack of porters he had brought only a small The Emperor ordered one of his own tents to be pitched (for the Prince) near the mosque of the Idgah the evening the Emperor learnt that on the way while the Prince was coming on horseback the elephant of Fath Jang Khan turned mad charged the troops and approached the Shah He shot an arrow at it it came nearer His horse shied dismounting he faced the elephant and hit its trunk with his sword By this time his retinue, who had been scattered, gathered together and slew the elephant with blows Prince Muhammad Kam Bakhsh and Ruhullah Khan went (by order) immediately and presented (to the Prince) 4 000 rupees from the Emperor 500 mohars from Kam Bakhsh and 100 mohars and 1 000 rupees on behalf of Ruhullah The Prince Kam Bakhsh departed after one quarter of the day and four hours Next day when the interview with the Emperor was to take place the Prince with all the grandees down to hazāris advanced to meet Azam Every one made presents according to his runk By command the Shāh reached the citadel, playing jovous

music from his own camp Prince Bidar Bakht had also the honour of being received in audience [231] As the Shah s mansion (haveli) was out of repair he was permitted

to live in the apaitments close to the old hall of audience till its repair. Muhammad Sālim Āslam, a servant of the Emperor wrote a long masnavi on this incident

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[234] Rashid Khan reported to the Empeior that His Majesty had ordered fifty-two lakhs of jupees spent in Gauhati to be recovered from the Āmir-ul-umarā, but the latter had written that in all seven lakhs of jupees only were spent, the balance of the amount was the pice of the materials previously sanctioned as subsidy in aid of the Bengal administration. The Empeior ordered only that amount to be recovered from him. On Thursday, the 26th July, 1683, a parastār (servant-girl) bore a son to the Shāh ['Āzam], who presented 1,000 mohars to His Majesty, the child was named Wālā-jāh. Hāji Shaf'i Khan was sent to superintend and ascertain the revenue of the new territories.

conquered for the Emperor by Khan Jahān

Qāzı Haıdar, Shivāji's munshi, came to the Emperor for service, he was given a robe, ten thousand rupees, and the rank of 2-hazān Hakım Muhasan Khan by command came to the Court with the treasure convoy of Delhi, and was released from the imprisonment of punishment Mirzā Sadruddin got the title of Khan and the fauidari of Ramgir On the 27th July/12th Shaban, the Emperor was shown a jewelled necklace (hār), a pearl arsı, and two elephants, which Qutb-ul-mulk had sent to Khan Jahān and the latter to the Court On the 5th August/21st Shaban [235] the Emperor visited the guard-room of Muhammad 'Azam Shāh situated within the fort of Aurangābād The Prince received as present a ring worth 275 rupees, Jahānzeb Bānu Begam a pearl necklace and ruby pendent worth 14,000 rupees, Gaiti-Ārā Begam, daughter of the Shāh, a pearl necklace worth 19,000 rupees, Bijāpuri Mahal a jewelled wristlet (kaiah) worth 2,200 rupees The Shāh presented as peshkash two lakhs, 98,400 rupees, which the Emperor graciously accepted Ranmast Khan got the title of Bahadur Khan On Monday, the 13th August/29th Shaban, a letter was received from Mughal Khan stating that he had assaulted Bundi with lightning speed, arrows and bullets had been showered for three prahars, at last Durjan Singh had fled away under cover of the darkness of the night Thereupon Anirudh Singh had entered Bundi with his own troops and other officers of the Emperor

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[236] The Emperor spent the month of Ramzan in the

mosque of the palace, in doing deeds of charity

On Monday the 20th August/7th Ramzan Muham mad Azam Shāh was sent on the Bijapur expedition, after being presented with a robe, a sarpech a jewelled dagger an elephant 100 horses, and two lakhs of rupees Bidar Baklit was presented with a robe, a sarpech a kalgi dagger and an elephant and sent with his father Sher Khan Ikhlas Khan Kamaluddin Khan and others appointed to the army of the Prince were variously favoured On Friday the 17th August 1683/4th Ramzan a letter was received from Ibrāhim Khan Subahdar of Kashmir stating that through the exertions of his son Fidai Khan the land of Tibet was conquered from its zamindar Dilai and added to the Empire The Emperor ordered his courtiers to make their bows for the conquest and the music of joy to be played. The Khan was rewarded for the victory with an increment of 2 hazars tr making him a 5 hazāri (same tr 2 000 do-aspa) one kror of dam as in am the despatch of a forman full of praise and the presentation of a special robe a jewelled phul katāra dagger with pearl ilāga worth 7 000 rupees an Arab horse worth 200 mohars with gold sac and an elephant from the Emperor's own stable worth 15,000 rupees His duteous son [237] from a 7 sadi (400 tr) became a hazarı (700 tr) and was presented with a special robe a sword wrought with gold, with enamelled saz an Iragi horse with gold saz worth 100 mohars, and an elephant worth 11 000 rupees

Atish Khan went by command to the army of Muhammad Azam Shah and brought to Court Muhammad Hīdi, son of Mir Khan He was at first kept in the custody of Ruhullah Khan and then in that of Salābat Khan On Friday, the 7th September/25th Ramzan he was ordered

to be imprisoned in the fort of Daulatabad

On the 15th September/3rd Shawwal, as commanded by H1s Majesty, the advance-tents of Shāh 'Ālam Bahādur came out of Aurangābād, playing sweet music, with the object of extirpating the enemy in the direction of Konkan and Rāmdarah and other lands of the Marāthas

Dilir Khan Afghan died of severe illness. He had fought well in many battles. He was a powerfully built man and of great strength. He had a wonderful appetite, control over his clansmen, and good luck all through his life.

I shall now give some description of the tombs of the saints of the Faith and the village of Ellorā. Eight kos from Aurangābād and three kos from the fort of Daulatābād are the blessed tombs of Shaikh Burhānuddin, Shaikh Zainul-Haq, Shaikh Muntakhabuddin Zar-bakhsh, Mir Hasan [238] of Delhi, Sayyid Rāju, father of Mir Sayyid Muhammad Gisudarāz and other knowers of God, many of whom were followers of Nizāmuddin Āulia These are places of pilgrimage to the world These holy men came to this country and repose here, through the exertions of Muhammad Shāh Malik Junā, son of Tughlaq, who considered the fort of Deogiri the centre of his kingdom, named it Daulatābād, wished to make it his capital, and removed the people of Delhi with their families to this place

A short distance from here is a place named Ellora where in ages long past, sappers possessed of magical skill excavated in the defiles of the mountain spacious houses for a length of one kos On all their ceilings and walls many kinds of images with lifelike forms have been carved The top of the hill looks level, so much so that no sign of the buildings within it is apparent (from outside) times when the sinful infidels had dominion over this country, certainly they and not demons (jinn)! were the builders of these caves, although tradition differs on the point, it was a place of worship of the tribe of false believers At present it is a desolation in spite of its strong foundations, it rouses the sense of warning (of doom) to those who contemplate the future (end of things). In all seasons, and particularly in the monsoons, when this hill and the plain below resemble a garden in the luxuriance of its vegetation and the abundance of its water, people come to see the place

^{*}I form the three words Sābqān bafarāwān ā'wām into one phrase of time I also put a period after jinn in the text, and accept 'ibrat of the MS for ghairat of the printed text

A waterfall a hundred yards in width tumbles down from the hill. It is a marvellous place for strolling, charming to the eve. Unless one sees it, no written description can correctly picture it. How then can my pen adorn the page of my narrative? [230]

THE EMPEROR S MARCH FROM AURANGABAD TO AUMADNAGAR

On Friday, the 12th October, 1683/1st 7il Q, the Emperor reached Karnpuri The sound of artillery struck the cirs of the enemy Muhammad 'Azam Shah and Bidār Bakht who had come to the Emperor were sent to Gulshana bīd [Nasik] on Tuesday, the 30th October/19th Zil Q with robes 'arpreh elephant and a short sword (numchah) Pam Nayak zamindār of Sagar, interviewed and received i robe a sword and a dagger The zamindāri of Chānda was transferred from Ram Singh to Kishan Singh

On Tuesday, the 18th November/3rd Zil H the Emperor arrived at the earthen fort of Ahmadnagar built by Dilir Khan Qāzi Shaikh ul Islām, son of Qazi Abdul Walhlab was seized by a longing for God, on account of his merit and natural godliness. He decided to renounce the world and though the Emperor pressed him not to resign the Qāziship for which such men are pre-eminently fit he did not recoil from his purpose. The Emperor had to assent At the recommendation of that favoured holy man he gave the Qāziship of the imperial camp to Sayyid Abu S aid son in law of Qāzi. Abdul Wahhāb. He came from Delhi had his interview and received a robe a sword and a dagger.

On Tuesday the 20th November/10th Zil H Muhammad Khalil [240] envoy of the king of Shahr nau, interviewed receiving a robe and 1 000 rupees. The agents of the zamindar of Strangpatan urrived with peshkash and received 200 rupees. Sayyid Ughlan was appointed tutor of Kam Bakhsh. Muhammad Sālih Qazi of Aurangabad, became Qazi of Delhi, and Muhammad Akram mufti of the Emperor's camp took his place as Qāzi of Aurangābād. Mir 'Abdul Karim became āmin of the seven chaukis in addition to the dāroghaship of the ja namāz khanah Sarbuland Khan (originally Khwaja Y āqub) was sent to chastise the rebels near Bahādurgarh. Kāmgar Khan became akhta begi vice Mughal Khan. Shuja'et

Khan, son of Qawamuddin Khan, Mir Atish, and Matlab Khan bakhshi of the āhadis At midnight, on Tuesday, the 18th December/9th Muharram, Ruhullah Khan was sent to punish the enemy near the river Nirā and Bahramand Khan towards Ashti M'amur Khan, who had got the title of Dilir Khan, attacked the enemy and gained a victory, being rewarded with a robe, a farman, a tugh, and a banner On Monday, the 24th December, 1683/15th Muharram, Shihābuddin Khan, who had repeatedly defeated the enemy ın severe fights was created Muhammad Ghāziuddin Khan Bahādur [241] His brother, Muhammad 'Ānf, got the title of Mujahid Khan, and Muhammad Sadiq Khosti that of Sādıq Khan, while robes, elephants, horses and promotions were granted to Dalpat Bundela, Raja Udwat Singh and other subordinates of the Khan according to their respective ranks Mir Hāshim, servant of 'Āzam Shāh, brought to the Emperor the Prince's letter announcing the birth of a son, and 1,000 mohars as nazar. The child was named Zi-jāh, and presented with a cap woven with pearls, a jewelled chashmak, and a pearl string (lan) The Mir got a robe and 500 rupees

News came that the enemy had spread near Pattan. At midnight Bahramand Khan received a quiver and bow and (set off to) carry out the order (to beat them away) On Sunday, the 27th January, 1684/19th Safar, a letter was received from Khan Jahān Bahādur, stating that the enemy had gathered together on the bank of the Kııshnā; he had hastened from a distance of thirty kos, and after a severe fight slain countless infidels, and captured their property and women A-farmān was sent to him in praise of his deed. Of his sons Muzaffar Khan got the title of Himmat Khan, Nasrat Khan that of Sipahdar Khan, Muhammad Som'i that of Nasrat Khan, Muhammad Baqa that of Muzaffar Khan, and Jamaluddin Khan son-in-law of [Bahadur Khan] and the son of 'Azam Khan Kokah that of Safdar Khan 'Umdat-ul-Mulk Asad Khan [242], who had been (left) at Ajmir, came to Court On Saturday, the 2nd February/ 25th Safar, Bakhshi-ul-mulk Ashraf Khan advanced to the door of the ghusalkhānah to welcome him On the 4th Muhammad 'Āzam Shah and Bidār Bakht had audience, and left for Bahādurgarh on Wednesday the 13th February/7th Rabi A, after receiving robes and jewels Salābat Khan

^{*} Another text reads Shaf'ı

having come from Naulakhalı Audh received a robe at inter view. Muluk Chand, diwān of 'Āzam Shāh, after receiving a robe was ordered to take with himself sixty elephants which had been presented to the Prince. Sufi Bahādur came from Kāshghar in search of service, had interview, and received a robe, a dagger band with gold sāz a sword and 1,000 rupees.

On Tuesday the 11th March 1684/4th Rabi S, Randaula Khan died On Sunday the 16th/9th Rabi S, Shukrullah Najam 1-Sanı got the title of Askar Khan Sayyıd Ahsan son of Khan ı-dauran, that of Ahsan Khan, Muhammad Murad son of Murshid Onli Khan that of Muhammad Murad Khan On Monday, the 31st March/ 24th Rabi S Ghāziuddin Khan Bahādur was sent towards Punā and Garh namunā and presented with a quiver and bow 10 000 rupees and two maunds of gold Qamruddin, son of the daughter s son of S adullah Khan deceased, got his first mansab of 4-sadi (100 tr) On Saturday, the 5th April/29th Rabi S, Muhammad N aim became diwan of Delhi On Sunday the 20th April/15th Jamed A, Bakhshi ul mulk Ruhullah Khan was appointed with a strong force to reinforce Shah 'Alam Bahadur [243] With him were sent 20 000 ashrafi, 100 horses, 500 camels twenty five mules for the Prince and robes jewels, elephants, and horses for the Prince's sons and officers On the same day Muhammad 'Azam Shah, Bidar Bakht and Walajah were presented with robes jewels, horses and elephants and sent away Safi Khan was appointed to guard the subah of Aurangabad Bahramand Khan coming from Gulshanabad, interviewed and received an elephant Shuia et Khan got the title of Saf Shikan Khan, a special robe, a sigha a banner and a tugh and was sent towards Srirangpatan One hundred and twelve servants of the rebel Sambhā, who were imprisoned in the chabutra of the kotwāli were executed Muhammad Yar son of Dilir Khan M amuri got the title of M amur Khan and was sent to his father On Sunday, the 11th May/6th Jamad S a daily pension of eighty rupees was assigned to Sultan Walajah

On Saturday the 17th/12th Jamad S, news was brought by Khwāja Yākut of the birth of a son to Kām Bakhsh the Khwāja got a robe, and the Prince a robe with a bālāband and a jewelled turban-end Hāji Ism'ail khās nawis who hit upon the phrase 'the son of Kam Bakhsh' as giving the date of his birth, got a robe The child was

named Ummed Bakhsh. Shujā'et Haidaiābādi came to Court in hope of service, and received the rank of 5-hazāri (same tr.) and the title Shujā'et Khan. 'Itiqād Khan was sent with a strong force towards Zafarābād Bidār Mırak Khan, faujdār of Jālandhai doāb, became that of Gujrāt On Sunday, the 18th May, 1684/13th Jamad S, Shah 'Alam Bahadur from the Konkan had audience, and received a 16be and jewels worth three lakhs and 90,000 rupees His sons got robes and jewels Ruhullah Khan and Munawwai Khan interviewed, receiving robes Mughal Khan, who had gone to back Anirudh Singh [of Bundi] and root out Durjan Singh, came back victorious and had audience, receiving a robe and praise Hāji Haidarābādi made his bow of service to the Emperor On Thursday, the 26th June/23rd Rajab, Muhammad J'afar, envoy of Qutb-ul-mulk, had audience He was the son of the preceptor of Hafiz Muhammad Amin Khan When Md Amin went from Agra to Kabul, he requested Bakhtāwar Khan to present him to the Emperor for service presentation he was given a mansab under Muhammad Akbar His ability made him rise to the post of darogha of filkhanah under that Prince After Akbar's revolt he went to Haidarābād Theie he bragged of being a high person connected with great amirs and thus influenced Abul Hasan and his ministers, and got the title of 'Ain-ul-mulk When Qutb-ul-mulk had occasion to send an envoy to the Emperor, J'afar was appointed to the office on account of his false pretensions. He had no help but to come on the embassy At the audience Bakhtāwar Khan said to the Emperor, "This man [245] is so and so". The Emperor said, "See the mischievousness of Abul Hasan! He has sent Akbar's officer as envoy to me " J'afar knew me and sent a message asking me to see him. After beholding his splendour, wealth and prodigality in the market as a buyer, I sent to him to ask "Why did you come here?" He said, "The desire of seeing (old) friends brought me here " I replied, "You have acted very ill" After two days the kotwal all of a sudden went to his house, brought him to the chabutra, and confiscated his household furniture and slaves, with much cash After a time he was given the rank of a 3-sadi and was sent to Bengal

On Monday, the 30th June/27th Rajab, Zinat-un-nisā Begam came from Aurangābād to the Court Muhammad Kām Bakhsh, Siādat Khan and Kāmgār Khan advanced

to welcome her and conducted her to the imperial harem On Thursday the 21th July /21st Shaban, 500 mohars were presented to the Luperor by Muhammad 'Azam Shah as na_ar for the birth of a son to the mother of Walajah The courtiers bowed The child was named Walashan On Fri div the 1st August/29th Shaban, the Emperor learnt that Mirza Muhammad and Bihari Dīs, jeweller who had gone to Qutbulmulk, had received—the former 10 000 rupees, an elephant and an arsi and the latter 8 000 rupees and an clephant-and they had returned leaving the presents with the umbassador. The Emperor ordered them to be returned (to Qutbulmulk) An acknowledgment receipt bearing the seal of 'Abdur Rahman giladar of Bahadurgarh, for two wives one drughter, and three slave girls of the wretched Sambha, was placed before the Emperor Khan Jahan Bahadur Zafar Jang Kokaltash, Dilir Khan Ghazuddin Klian Bahadur and other high grandees [246] and warriors had up to this time captured from the enemy and added to the Empire so many forts and mahals attached to them that it would require a volume to give details about them * * *

Kokalı became faujdar and diwan of Bareli [248] His son Nuruddin received a robe and accompanied him Kāmyāb became bakhshi of the archers vice him Yalangtosh Khan Bahādur who was enjoying an annual pension received a mansab on the 2nd September, 1684/2nd Shawwal Bahram, brother of J'afar Khan, father of Bahramand Khan, died at Delhi To Umdat ul mulk Asad Khan sister's son of the deceased, was presented a half-sleeve of silk embroiders, which the Emperor took off from his own Ashraf Khan condoled with Baklishi ul mulk Bahramand Khan and brought him to Court, where he

received a mourning robe

On Monday the 8th September/8th Shawwal the marriage entertainment of Mu'izzuddin took place. He was presented with a baladast khil at precious jewels worth one lakh and 50,000 rupees a horse with gold saz and an elephant with silver saz To Sayyıdunnısa Begam were presented sewels worth 67 000 rupees. After the maghrib prayer Shah Alam Bahadur and other Princes with great pomp conducted the bridegroom through a lane bordered by lighted lamps from his own mansion to the imperial palace The Emperor placed a pearl sahra on the bridegroom's head with his own hands. The celebration was supervised by Zinat un nisā Begam After two pās the bride reached the bridegroom's house On Sunday the 21st September/ 21st Shawwal Ghaziuddin Khan Bahadur when sent to conquer fort Rāhiri [249] received a special robe and five horses His son Qamruddin received a sword, and other officers robes On Wednesday the 8th October/9th Zil Q, 100 Turki and hill horses were sent to Muhammad 'Azam Shāh as aid Fakhruddin was sent as thānahdār of Supā Abdul Hadı Khan as faujdar of Chakan and Marhamat Khan son of Nāmdār Khan thānahdār of Garh Namunā On Saturday the 25th October/26th Zil Q, Bakhsh ul mulk Ruhullah Khan after being presented with a robe a dagger and a horse was sent to punish the enemy Qasım Khan Muhammad Bad 1 of Balkh Ilhamullah Khan, and Abdur Rahman, officers of Shah 'Alam Bahadur received an increment of 1 000 troopers Hayat Abdali who had come to Court from Qaudahar and other officers of the force were favoured with promotion, robes, horses, elephants swords and nghas Padamii, Ekkoji, Malhar and Rao Subhanchand, sent by Ghāzauddin Khān Bahādur, each received robes Shahzada Danlat Afza was presented with a ruby surpech

with a pearl pendant Kifāyet Khan Hātim Beg was appointed diwān of the subahs of the Deccan 'Ināyetullah, mushi if of the jewellery department and khil'atkhānah, became news-writer and mustaufi of āima Sultan Ummed Bakhsh, son of Kām Bakhsh, died on Sunday, the 2nd November/4th Zil H, [250] The Emperor visited the Prince's house to console him

News came that Rām Singh, zainindār of Chānda, had been defeated by the imperial army, on Sunday, 2nd November/4th Zil H, he fled to the hills with 200 troopers, leaving his family behind; 'Itiqād Khan, Hamza Khan and Kishan Singh entered Chānda. On Wednesday, the 19th November/21st Zil. H, Rām Singh came to Chānda with three men and wanted to enter his mansion. Murād Beg, a servant of Kishan Singh, who was guarding the door, rose to oppose him. Rām Singh stabbed him with a jaindhār, but was himself attacked and slain by others. Murād Beg died the next day. On Wednesday, the 3rd December/6th Muharram, the Emperor sent a robe, a farmān, and an elephant to Kishan Singh. A robe was sent to Hari Singh, zamindār of Garha

Bāltun Beg, sister's son of Qalich Khan, came from Bukhārā, and received a sword, a dagger with gold $s\bar{a}z$, 2,000 rupees and the rank of 6-sadi (200 tr) 'Abdul Qādir, son-in-law of Mukhlis Khan deceased, who had wrested fort Kondāna from the enemy and entrusted it to 'Abdul Karım, reached the Court on Sunday, the 14th December/17th By receiving an increment of 100 (50 tr) he became a 5-sadi (100 tr) Ihtamām Khan Sardār Beg became darogha of nawara vice Saifullah Khan The daughter of Sayyıd Muzaffar Haidarābādı was married to Kāmgāi Khan, who received a robe 'Itiqad Khan, who had returned from Chanda to the Court, [251] became Qurbegi vice Yalangtosh Khan, receiving a robe, an elephant and the increment of 5-sadi (150 tr) which made him a 2-hazāri (400 tr) Hayat Khan became amın of the seven chaukıs vice Mir 'Abdul Karım Khidmatguzār Khan died, his son Muhammad Quli received a robe of mourning His posts of darogha of the slaves and of the halting-places (manāzil) were given to Fath Muhammad and Diw-āfkan Haidar munshi got the title of Khan Shaikh Makhdum, munshi and sadr, got the title of Fazil Khan, Haji Ism'ail, the head of the khushnavises (calligraphists) of the age, who

used to write the I imperor's own farming got the title of

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On Sunday the 25th December, 1681/1st Safar Qury Shaikh iil Islam bejjed permission to visit Mecer and Medina. He was presented with a doshala of parm ritin (oft do ens wool) and the pimphlet Idal i zigrat I creket full of supplicators letters to the Prophet was entrusted to him to be convexed to the Prophet's tomb the cashet was to be opened before the door of the latticed enclosure of the sured tomb the pouch taken out and carried made the enclosure for being deposited below the hillowed Intel

Suhrab Khan son of Bargandar Khan was sent to convey to the Bikhshi ul mulk Ruhullah Khan at Bijapur a big cun taking one maund balls and three other guns (2)21 taking 20 seer balls Itigad Khan was sent to punish the rebels scattered near Parmir and Sangamnir Rashed Khan peshelast of the khalsa office was sent to ludur for deciding the question of sowing the chena millet "

The sone of Khan 1 Zaman after their father s death came to Court from Burh inpur and received robes and Trish Khim was sent towards Nawalgonda with a strong force and a company of 500 troopers of Kam Bakhsh Humduddin son of Ilitamam Khan became darocha of the I hatam hand khunah tree his father On the 22nd January 1645 26th Safar news came that Ghaziuddin Khan Bahadur had set fire to the petta at the foot of fort Rahiri slain many of the infidel chiefs plundered their money and things taken possession of the women seized their cattle, and gained a Savaid Ughlan, who brought this joyous news received an elephant Shah Muhammad chobdar of Ghazauddin Khan Baladur who had come from the Khan without change of dress received a robe and two hundred The Khan was created Firuz Jung and presented with lettle-drums More than one hundred and fifty robes were sent for his officers high and low. On Thursday the 20th January / Ith Rabi A Khanalizad Khan went to Aurangibad to bring the Emperor's consort (parastar) Udipuri Mahal [253] On Wednesday the 4th February/ 10th Rabi A winter robes were presented to all imperial servants at Court and the provinces

The printed text has been corrected from the MS. Chrus is a kind of millet panicum millaceum. Indus now named Nimmahad is a district south of the junction of the Manjers and the Godarari.

DLATH OF BAKHTĀWAR KHAN

On Monday, the 9th February, 1685/15th Rabi A, Bakhtawar Khan darogha of the khawases died, after thirty years of service. His Majesty was very sorry to hear of the death of this confidential companion, wise minister, and highminded man. By his order the bier was brought near the 'adālat-gāh; the Emperor himself acted as Imām, followed the bier a few steps, read the fatiha, distributed alms, and had the whole Quian read, and the corpse sent to the tomb which the deceased had previously built at Delhi. He was a great friend of scholars, hermits, and poets and tried to further their desires. He was an expert in the classic style and knowledge of history, wrote the Mirat-ul-'alam, and was unrivalled in good breeding and benevolence to mankind Yalangtosh Khan Bahadui succeeded him as dārogha of the khawases, Hakim Muhasan Khan as dārogha of the jewellery department and Mir Hedavetullah as that of the gold-ware I, Muhammad Saqı, the author of this history, was the diwan and munshi of Bekhtawai Khan, and used to show to the Emperor for correction the drafts of secret orders written by him [254] The Emperor kindly took me into his service and immediately made me newswriter of Thursdays

DEATH OF DARBAR KHAN NAZIR

On Thursday, the 26th February, 1685/2nd Rabi S., Darbār Khan superintendent (nāzii) of the harem (mahal) died. He was an old, high-minded, and benevolent officer, devoted to His Majesty, who similarly ordered his bier to be brought and himself acted as Imām at the funeral prayer. The corpse was sent to Delhi. (In succession to him) Khidmat Khan became nāzii, in addition to holding his post of (dārogha of) petitions, and Shaikh 'Abdullah, son of Shaikh Nizām, became superintendent of the medical stores. On Saturday, the 14th March/18th Rabi S., Shujā'et Khan Haidarābādi died. His son Malik Miran received a robe and a mansab

On Monday the 16th/20th Rabi S, Ruhullah Khan was sent to punish the enemy near Bijapui and presented with a special robe, a jewelled kalgi, and silver kettledrums. With him were sent two and a half lakhs of rupees, a jigha with diamond parkhānah, and a diamond sarpech for ('Āzam) Shah, a necklace of two strings of pearls for

Jahanzeh Bann Be, am a jewelled muttaka for Bidar Bakht a smarani for Walajah a pearl necklace do lari for Walajah and [211] thirts two robes for Sarafray Khan Walashan and [211] thirts two robes for Sarafray Khan I ith Jang Khan Kanhoji Basant Kiso and others. On Saturday the 21st March 1685/25th Rabi S., Waladar Khan jerud on of Said Khan Bahadur, was given the title of Zabardast Khan and sent as envoy to Balkh, with the reward of a robe a dayler, a sentod a shield with jewelled as a jewelled jigha a quiver a box a horse an elephant, 10 (00) rujees and an increment of 5 said (100 tr.). An elephant salued at 18 (00) rujees and other presents and precious things were sent to Subhan Quli Khan along with him. Shifqitullah who had the title of Sazawar Khan was given pardon for his fault, and made the second mir turuk.

Khujistah Akhtar coming from Aurangabad, had indience on Monday the 23rd March/27th Rabi S, receiving a robe and a jewelled bracelet (bāzuband). Khwāja Abdur kalum returned from the embassy to Bijapur, and received a robe an elephant and 5 000 rupees. Mir Abdul karim in iddition to his post at the jainamae khanah got the darogha ship of naqqash khanah. I became mushiri of this department. On Thursday the 20th March/1st Jamad A, Jiruz Jang Bahadur had audience and received a special robe a jewelled dagger five horses and seven tolalis of rose after.

The Imperor learnt that on Iriday, the 27th March/2nd Jamad S the stege of Bijapur had begun * Khim Jahan Bahādur Zafar Jang had begun to dig entrenchments [256] from the side of Zuhrapur, at a distance of half a Los, and Ruhullah Khan and Qisim

Klinn at a distance of a quarter kos from the fort walls

A courier brought the message that on Tuesday, the 11th April 1689/20th Jamad A, the Rathors had captured fort Siwanah Purdil, son of Firiz Khan Miwati was slain with many men Sharza Bijapuri boldly advanced towards the army of Muhammad 'Azam Shah on the bank of the Tungabhadra river After a severe fight and losing many men he fled On Sunday the 12th April/18th Jamad A slave came from Muhammad Akbar to the Emperor with two horses as peshkash. He was refused audience but

Actually four days later than this date on 1st April a the Ikabiral

commanded to go to the deorhi of the Lady Nawwab (Zinat-un-nisā) On Thursday, the 23rd April/29th Jamad A, Sarbuland Khan (Khwaja Y'aqub) died

DESCRIPTION OF THE CITY AND FORT OF AHMADNAGAR

The fort of Ahmadnagar is situated on a plain, for giving it firmness and strength, the foundation of this hilllike fort has been sunk to the lowest stratum of the earth It would not be wrong to say that this nail of the hill had been inserted to prevent earthquakes Around the fort is a champaign Within the fort are buildings and fresh gardens, under which cellars of great rarity have been built Around the fort is a deep ditch ever full of water Two canals come into the fort from outside [257] The city of Ahmadnagai is situated a quarter kos from the fort, it has no defensive wall. Formerly it was without an equal for its buildings, the abundance of canal water in every house, and the extent of habitation The late Danishmand Khan, who had passed some time here when he was a merchant, used to say that Ahmadnagar excels Kashmir in many In the environs of the city are the gardens of Farah-bakhsh and Bihisht-bagh, which present a wonderful spectacle They were built by Salābat Khan during the period of the insanity of Murtaza Nizāmulmulk, in his name In order to preserve their memory I shall give the length and breadth of these two gardens and a description of their buildings which are rare

The garden of Farah-bakhsh is 2000 zu'a in length and breadth (alike) which makes (the area) 278 bighas In the middle of it is a reservoir 528 zira (square), which makes the area 19 bighas An underground channel brings water to it from the foot of the hill In the centre of the reservoir is a lofty and wonderful building in two storeys, having 160 hujia (rooms) and a high cupola Archers practise shooting at its summit Bihisht-bagh is 312 zu'a in length and breadth alike which makes the area 100 bighas In the middle is an octagonal reservoir, which is also fed with canal water In the centre is a building now in ruins On the bank of the reservoir are a charming building and a neat Turkish bath, fit for the residence of elegant people

Five kos from the fort is a halting place (manzil), known as Manjar Samba or Manzil Sabā Tt is said that a ligh building has been constructed in the waist of the hill. The fount in of the garden leaps up of itself incessantly to a height of 100 vards, through the force of the water that comes from a spring in the hill. The Emperor [258] visited this flower of the earth, and ordered the runed houses to be repaired. The tomb of Salabat Khan situated on the top of the hill, is a wonderful building. The chimate of this tract is not very hot at night one has to use coverlets.

THE PMPFROR'S MARCH FROM ARMADNACIA TO SHOLAPUR

On Sunday the 26th April, 1685/2nd Jamad S, the imperial comp moved from Ahmadnagar, on an auspicious day and hour and was pitched near the Farah bakhsh farden. On Wednesday the 29th April/5th Jamad S the Emperor went there

On the 30th Sayvid Ughlan got the title of Siādat Khan This noble minded Sayvid the tittor of Firuz Jang Khan had come to Hindustan from Persia (vilavai) with him and had the fortune of being enrolled in the Emperor's service, and rose to honour and high position through the Emperor's favour

Qāzı Sayyıd Ābu Sa id owing to some ailments begged hard to resign lus high office [added from ms] Arjunji uncle s son of Sambhā wis made a 2-hazārī (1000 tr) and presented with a robe and a horse Izzatullah Khan wis appointed qiladār of Āhmadnagar On Friday, the 1st May/2nd Jamad S Firuz Jang Bahādur was sent to stay it Āhmadnagar and presented with an amulet containing the Quran a special robe and 20,000 rupees. His companions were rewarded with robes and daggers. Khwaja Abdullah [259] son of Muhammad Sharri, who had been the Qāzi of the Emperor s army before his accession, became Qāzi of the Court. On Saturday, the 29rd May/20th Jamad S Qamruddin son of Firuz Jang, got the title of Khan. On Sunday, the 24th May/1st Rajab, the Emperor reached Sholāpur. Itiqad Khan was sent towards Zafarābad [Bidar], receiving a special robe, a quiver and a bow, his followers got robes swords and horses Bahramand Khan was ordered to hasten toward Haidarabād On Saturday the 30th May/7th Rajab when Shah Alam Bahādur was coming to Court on horseback a man ran

towards him with an uplifted sword, he was seized and made over to the Prince's kotwāl, by imperial command.

ARMY SENT UNDER SHAH 'ĀLAM BAHADUR AGAINST ĀBUL HASAN

As the Emperor had ordered that Muhammad M'asum and Muhammad J'afar, servants of Hardarabad, who were staying in the imperial camp as envoys, should lodge in the quarters of Ilitamam Khan, kotwal, and that the letters they wrote to Haidarābād and received from that place, should be first shown to the Khan, and [260] that he should report to the Emperor if he found anything worth reporting, spies worked hard to get news (of the enemy) As the time for the destruction of the Haidarabadi ruler had come near, a letter from Abul Hasan reached his servants, saying "His Majesty is a great man, and has acted like the great up to this time. But now that finding Sikandar ('Ādil Shah) an orphan and powerless, he has besieged Bijapur and pressed him hard, it is proper that, besides the large army of Bijapur, Raja Sambhā should exert himself with a countless host to aid this helpless king from one side, and I should appoint 40,000 tr under the command of Khalilullah Khan Palang-hamla to conduct the war, and see on which side the Emperor can encounter and resist his many enemies You, who have been detained near the kotwāli chabutia, should not be alarmed at the news, as your release would come about soon' The Khan sent this letter to the Emperor Therefore on Sunday, the 28th June, 1685/6th Shaban, the Prince was sent against Haidarābād, receiving a special robe, a jewelled dagger, a muttaka, and twenty horses His sons and high officers were favoured with robes, jewels, horses, elephants, and promotion On the 15th July/23rd Shaban Ruhullah Khan, coming from Bijapur was sent to Ahmadnagar in the place of Firuz Jang Bahadur Kamgar Khan became darogha of the retinue vice Khānahzād Khan, and Mukhtār Khan darogha of the stable vice the first-named and was sent on Sunday, the 19th July/27th Shaban, to convey a dagger having a jasper hilt with 'ilāqa, [261] and phul katāra to 'Āzam Shah and a smaram of pearl, a punchhi, and raincoat (farghal) for Prince Bidār Bakht Mughal Khan, nāzim of Mālwa, died on Tuesday, the 14th July/22nd

Shaban and Tarbiyat Khan, faujdār of Jaunpur on the 19th/27th Shaban Mir 'Abdul Karim was punished for an offence by being removed from the darogha ship of jā namāz khānah Muhammad Sharif khawās of the touring camp (cor) taking his place.

The Emperor said, "I had at first put off the chastise ment of this vendor of China ware, this ape like buffoon and this drummer [Qutb Shah] Now that this hen has come forward crowing, I can't wait any longer Inspite of the delay and littch which it would cause to the Bijapur expedition the Prince was ordered to extirpate the wretch Khan Jahān Bahādur Zafar Jang, who was staying at the thānah of Indi for conveying provisions to the army of Shāh Alijāh ['Azam], was ordered to join the army of the Prince and exert himself much in rendering good service

CHAPTER XXIX.

29TH YEAR OF THE REIGN · 1096 A'H.

22nd July, 1685—11th July, 1686.

[262] Sikandar Bey, who had come from Persia (vilāyat) to Court, ieceived a robe, a jewelled dagger and 10,000 rupees Āmānullah Khan, son of Ālahwardi Khan and Fath M'amur Khan son of Dilir Khan died fighting heroically in the trenches of Bijapur Kamāluddin Khan, son of Dilir Khan and Fath Jang Khan Miāna were wounded A mourning robe for Āmānulla Khan was sent to Hasan 'Ali Khan Bahādur 'Alamgirshāhi The powder magazine of the army of Muhammad 'Āzam Shāh caught fire, nearly 500 bahalias (hill-climbing infantry) and musketeers were killed

On Thursday, the 13th August/23rd Ramzan, Irij Khan Subahdar of Berar and Sayyıd Sher Khan, an officer of the army under 'Azam Shah, died. Firuz Jang Bahadur, coming from Ahmadnagar, had audience, the Emperor presented to him a dagger adorned with a slier-māhi handle taken out of his own belt and received in his own hand the nasar presented by the Khan Bahādur Mir Khan, diwān of Muhammad 'Azam Shāh, was sent as deputy $(n\bar{a}nb)$ Subahdar of Burhanpur. On Monday the 24th August /4th Shawwal, Sikandar Bey received the title of Khan and the rank of 3-hazānı (same tr.). Husain 'Alı Khan became Subahdar of Berar vice Irij Khan deceased, and Raziuddin became his nāib Lutfullah Khan was sent to convey to Shah 'Ālam Bahādur certam orders of the Emperor Siādat Khan became dārogha of 'arz-i-mukairar vice him Khwāja Hāmid, son of Qalich Khan got the title of Khan and a female elephant, and was ordered to convey treasure to 'Azam Shāh's army On Thursday the 1st October/13th Zil Q, Qalich Khan went as Subahdar to Zafarabad. receiving a robe, a zarah (steel armour), and an elephant Āsālat Khan and Najābat Khan, sons of Sayvid Muzaffar Haidarābādi, Ākrām Khan, Nāsir Khan and Sayyid Hasan Khan were sent with him.

The Emperor learnt of a famine in the army of Muhammad 'Azam Shāh, it was so severe that a grain of wheat laid the snare of seduction for a hundred Adams, and in the fear that the lack of gram would render them weak, all the soldiers felt themselves helpless Every day severe fighting took place, in the trenches and also with the out lying troops The soldiers had no sleep and food, the two sustainers of life Death rode rampant There came no food from any side A letter "By order was written to the Prince saying As you have come to such a pass return to the Court with your army " The Prince after receiving the letter held a council of consultation with his chief officers First he turned to Hasan Alı Khan Bahadur Alamgır shahi and said, ' The carrying out of the expedition depends on the co-operation of the officers I have received such a letter from the Emperor Your advice is important in these matters of peace and war, haste and delay [264] You have seen and undergone many difficulties and hardships of this What is your view of this case?' The Khan replied, "In view of the good of the army and happiness of the people at large I think a retreat is advisable. When in the Balkh campaign Prince Murad Bakhsh owing to the rigour of winter could not stay there he had to give up sieges and battles by order of Shah Jahan and return to Court What our men are undergoing is known and your Highness has received the order to retreat After this the Prince turned to the others they all supported the Khan The Prince then said. You have spoken for vourselves hear from me! Muhammad Azam with his two sons and Begam will not retreat from this dangerous place so long as he has life After my death, His Majesty may come and order the removal of my corpse for funeral My companions may stay or go away as they like Then they all said in concert 'Our opinion is the same as your Highness s When the Emperor learnt of this determination of the Prince to stay, he ordered Firnz Jang Bahādur on Monday the 4th October, 1685/16th Zil Q to set out with a large army and provisions beyond calculation [265] to reinforce and supply the Prince's army The Emperor excused the branding of the horses of the 3rd and 4th fractions of their contingents in the case of the sad; and 4-sad; in attendance on the Emperor and mansabdars out on expedition. The imperial officers were ordered to buy for the State horses after taking them out of dagh and send them to the Prince,

for distribution to the men who had lost their horses in Firuz Jang, on the day of taking leave, was presented with a robe, the māhi, and an elephant for carrying it, four banners (nishān) and four hany (two-humped) camels for carrying them, and was permitted to kiss the feet of the Emperor, who stroked him on the back with his hand officers were favoured with robes, horses, elephants, and promotion Firuz Jang reached the Prince with the speed of lightning, and the famished army gained the hope of life The Shah appointed his revived troops to punish the enemy who used to sally out of the fort for fight

It happened by chance that when Firuz Jang was staying at Rasulpui in the environs of Bijapur, six thousand infantry, sent by the wietched Pain Naik with provisions carried on the head in aid of Bijapur, were advancing by stealth at night, and arrived at this place at midnight, thinking that a Bijapuri force must be staying so near the Firuz Jang, who had been informed of it by spies, seized the opportunity, [266] and fell upon them before dawn, no living creature escaped from the Mughal swords with his life, a crushing defeat was inflicted on the enemy Sixty-two mansabdais sent by Firuz Jang to convey the heads of the enemy received a reward of 2,000 rupees mohar weighing 1,000 mohais was sent to Finuz Jang

On Saturday, the 10th October, 1685/22nd Zil Q, 'Itigad Khan was sent as thanahdar of Indi up to the bank of the Bhima. Of his comiades Sayyid Nur-ul-bahar of Barlia got the title of Saif Khan and others robes, horses

and elephants, at the time of their departure

Marhamat Khan was sent as thanahdar of Mudgal between Zafarābād [Bidar] and Haidarābād, his followeis were rewarded with robes, horses, elephants and cash Pahār Singh Gaur, who had caused disturbances near Ullain attacked with a large force Muluk Chand, naib and officer of 'Azam Shah, who had ridden out to punish him After a stiff fight an arrow hit the rebel, and he died Muluk Chand's letter reporting this victory was shown to the Emperor The courtiers bowed and invoked blessings Robes were presented to Fazāil Khan, who had previously learnt of the matter from the letter of a secret-writer and reported it to the Emperor, to 'Inayetullah, agent, who presented Muluk Chand's letter to the Emperor, and 'Abdul Hakim, a servant of the Prince, who brought the rebel's head to the Emperor [267] His Majesty ordered the head

to be sent to the Prince. Muluk Chand was rewarded with the title of Rāi i Rāiān, a robe, and promotion making him in all a 7 sadi

CONQUEST OF HAIDARABAD BY SHAH 'ALADI BAHADUR

On Sunday, the 18th October, 1685/30th Zil Q, despatches from Shah Alam Bahadur and Khan Jahan Bahadur announcing the capture of the city of Haidarabad the shutting up of Abul Hasan in the fort of Golkonda the interview of Ibrāhim, the enemy's commander in-chief (who had been created Khalilullah Khan), Muhammad Taqi the courier, Sharif ul mulk, Abul Hasan's sister's husband, and others with the prince, the recommendation of mansab for each of them, and the arrival of Abul Hasin's supplicatory letter, were brought to the Emperor by Mir Häshim an officer of the Prince The courtiers made their bow of thanks giving for the victory joyous music was played. The Emperor ordered Abul Hasan's letter to be shown Mırzā Muhammad Shırāzı * son of Hakım Fathuddin, and uncle of Hakim Muhasan Khan presented to the Emperor the following verse as embodying the date of the victory [268] * * * He received a robe Prince Shill Alam Bahādur got an increment of 10,000 making him 40 hazāri (30,000 tr.) Mir 'Abdul Karim the ex-darogha of of the jā namāz khānah, was ordered to carry robes and jewels to the Prince, his sons, khan Jahan, Ibrahim sar i lashkar, and the high grundees serving under the Prince Muhammad Shat'i, mushrif of deorhi Alah Yar mushrif of the garawwals, Mir Hashim, servant of the Prince Savid Abu Muhammad son of Munawwar khan and kalvan son of Hira mason were travelling together on the way to their When they arrived at Mangal four Los from Haidarabad Shaikh Nizām Haid irābadi with a numberless force appeared like a flood coming on to sweep in it houses Though these men had not such a force with them as to be able to resist vet they fought valiantly and excepting Mir Abdul Karim who fell down wounded [269] and was afterwards carried off as a prisoner, all the others perished

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Najābat Khan and Āsālat Khan, sons of Sayyıd Muzaffar, who had been sent with an escort from Zafaiābād supplied by Qalich Khan, fled after some fighting, on account of their previous understanding with the enemy, and joined Many men who had joined them like a Shaikh Nizām caravan and not for any other reason, were slain enemy captured the jewels and robes sent by the Emperor and other articles, including the property of the merchants After four days Mir 'Abdul Karım was and travellers conveyed by the men of Abul Hasan from Golkonda to the camp of the Prince on the border of the city of Haidarābād and then they disappeared. Muhammad Murad Khan envoy (hājib), getting news of it, carried him to his own In a few days his wounds healed, he interviewed the Prince, reported to him the orders verbally sent to the Prince through him, and then took his leave He reached the Court with Khan Jahān Bahādui, who had been summoned by the Emperor On Thursday, the 29th October/11th Zil. H, Muhammad Ibrāhim, sar-i-lashkar was on the Prince's recommendation made a 6-hazān (same tr.) with the title of Mahābat Khan, Sharif-ul-mulk à 3-hazāni (300 tr), Muhammad Taqi the nunning courier, a 2-hazān (300 tr) with the title of 'Itibar Khan On Monday, the 2nd November/15th Zil. H., Sazāwār (coi) Khan died His son Rahmatullah was given a mourning robe

The Emperor received a letter from Firuz Jang announcing the capture of the raised battery of Bijapui emerald ring was made over to Siadat Khan for being sent [270] On Wednesday, the 9th December to Firuz Jang 1685/22nd Muharram, a mourning robe was sent to 'Umdat-ul-mulk Asad Khan for the death of his mother Rahım Bey arrived from Turān and Hāji Muhammad Raf'ı, son-in-law of Saf Shıkan Khan deceased, from Iran, they received robes Mirza Muhammad, son of Hān Qāsim, naskh-navis, who had gone to Mungi-Patan to copy the Quran, and returned to Court after completing it, received a reward of 1000 rupees Bahramand Khan was sent towards Patan Sıkandar Khan and others were appointed to accompany him Ink-pots of jasper stone were presented to Siadat Khan, darogha of 'arz-i-mukarrar, and Fazil Khan, sadr Mukhtar Khan was given a quiver

^{*} The printed text reads Taqi wa $D\bar{u}ud$ The MS reads Taqi dawādu, or running courier, which I have accepted

and bow and sent to the thinah of Halsangi On Thursday, the 21th December/7th Safur, Khan Jahān Bahādur came from Handarabād, had audience and received a robe Robes were also given to Subhanji and eight other Deceanis brought by the aforesaid khan Bahādur On Thursday the 31st December/14th Safar, Rashid Khan was commanded to go to Hindustan in order to regulate certain mahials. The haveli of Bakhtāwar Khan deceased situated in Delhi, was presented to Siādat Khan. A gracious farmān was sent to Āmir Khan, Subahdār of Kabul announcing the grant of a special robe and an increment of a hazar zat Hutim, who had been formerly a servant of the Rānā, became fundar of Tuda Bhim

Bray bhushan Qawamuddin khāni, a convert to Islam under the name of Dindar, became mushrif of the ta namas khanah vice Ikhlas kesh, who became mushrif of petitions uce Raushan raqm [271] Qamruddin Khan who had come to Court, was sent (back) to his father with the gift of an elephant. With him were sent a robe and a sword for his father Ahmad Aga, ambassador of the Sharif of Mecca, had audience and received a robe and 2,000 rupees Sunday the 31st January 1686/16th Rabi A Mahabat Khan and Sharif ul mulk had audience The Khan received a special robe, a sword with gold saz, forty-one horses, an elephant, 50,000 rupees and nine tolahs of attar while the latter received a robe a dagger with a crystal handle, 10,000 rupees and seven tolahs of attar His sons, Heday etullah and Inayetullah got robes 'Abdul Oadir Deccani got the rank of 2-hazari (1,000 tr) and an elephant Achlajı the son in law of Shivaji, received the rank of a hazari (2 000 tr) and kettledrums, a banner, a sewelled bunchlu and an elephant on the day of interview Saf Shikan Khan darogha of the artillers had come from Bijapur, after being given a dagger and an elephant he was immediately ordered to return Yalangtosh Khan Bahadur was punished by removal from his post and rank In his place Silāh Khan, son of Wazir Khan Shāhjahāni, became darogha of the khawases an officer close to the Emperor, with the title of Anwar Khan Suhrab Khan became Mir Tuzuk vice Silah Khan On Saturday the 6th March 1686/20th Rabi S, Khan Jahan Bahadur [272] was sent to Burhanpur to bring the Emperor's consort (parastar) Aurangabadı Mahal the Emperor with his own hands presented him with a jewelled dagger with a phul

katāra and pearl 'ilāqa An emerald smaram was made over to him for the parastār

The sons of Khan Jahān and Ruhullah Khan saluted each other by raising the hand to the head. The Emperor ordered that in future nobody at Court should raise his hand to the head to salute another, and if anybody disobeyed the order, he should not enter the ghusalkhānah.

Mir Jalaluddin, one of the servants of 'Abdul 'Aziz Khan, king of Bukhārā, who after a pilgrimage to Mecca wished to return to Court but had died at that place, came to the Court, and received a robe, a dagger with a gold handle, and 1,000 rupees Hedayetullah, son of Tarbiyat Khan, came to Court after his father's death and received a mourning robe. On Tuesday, the 16th March/1st Jamad. A, Zain-ul-'ābidin a relative of Ābul Hasan, had audience and received a robe Abul Hasan cut off and sent to Shāh 'Alam the head of Mādanna Brahman as a proof of his own obedience and submission. The Prince sent it to the Emperor with Bahādur 'Alı Khan Hamiduddin Khan, faujdār of Patan, was made qıladār of Qandahār The dısımıssed Rustam Beg came to Court The late Hāfiz Muhammad Āmin Khan's haveli at Delhi was presented to Mahābat Khan Sayyıd Zain-ul-'ābidin became qıladar and faujdar of Sholapur vice Sayyıd Anwar Khan deceased Mukhtar Khan, after receiving a jewelled dagger, [273] was sent to Bijapur

Bakht-buland was given the zamindāri of Deogarh alias (cor) Islāmgarh, and a robe, an arsi, and a horse Buland Afghān, a servant of Prince Muhammad 'Āzam Shāh, brought to the Court the heads of the sons of Pahār Singh Gaur sent by Rāi-i-Rāiān Mulukchand, and got a robe The heads were ordered to be taken to the Prince Imāji and Tukoji, brought by Fazāil Khan, each got a robe and an elephant Rāi-i-Rāiān Mulukchand died, Bahrawar Khan became deputy Subahdār of Mālwa vice him On Wednesday, the 21st April/7th Jamad S, Aurangābādi Mahal reached the Emperor's camp from Delhi Prince Muhammad Kām Bakhsh advanced to the door of the fort near the deorhi to welcome her Khan Jahān Bahādur on interviewing received a robe, so also did his sons and officer Sayyid Munawwar Khan His eldest son Himmat Khan

after receiving a robe, a sword and an elephant, was sent to Bijapur Jaswant Singh Bundela received a robe an elephant, and kettledrums Fazil Beg brother of Padishāh Quli Khan the rebel, got the title of Tahawwar Khan and was appointed under Himmat Khan Savyid Mubarak Khan, qiladir of Daulatabād, got the title of Murtaza Khan Marhamat Khan was ordered to convey treasure to Bijapur

At midnight Khwaja Abdur Rahim Khan conducted to the Emperor the two sons of Vindhachal who was brother of Rām Rāi munshi of Fazil khan Ala il mulk [274] They accepted Islam and were named S'ādatullah and S'adullah At the end of next day, the Khwāja, by command, placed both on elephants and carried them through the city, with flags flying and music playing

On Monday, the 3rd May, 1686/19th Jamed S, Khan lahan Bahadur was sent towards Agra in order to punish the rebels of Hindustan, and was presented with a special robe, a jewelled sword, a horse with gold saz an elephant, and two krors of dam His sons other than Himmat Khan and Munawwar Khan received robes when sent along with Abdul 'Azız khan, qıladar of Junnar died His son Abul Khair Khan gained his place Jan Sipar Khan, faujdar of Zafarābād, who had come to Court, was sent Fazil Khan mir munshi and sadr, got in addition the darogha ship of petitions, vice Khidmat Khan Hasan son of Ruhullah Khan was married to the daughter of Amir Khan and received the title of Khanahzad Khan and a horse with gold saz Ihtamam Khan became nazir of the imperial harem vice Khidmat Khan Bahramand Khan was sent to the thanah of Indi Muhammad Matlab, his deputy, laid his head on the ground of service Monday, the 7th June, Shah 'Alam Bahadur had audience receiving a robe with a gosh pech and a jewelled punchhi [275] All the Shāhzādahs and sultāns got robes On his birthday, Friday, the 12th June/90th Rajab the Prince received an ars; with a ruby stone worth 40 000 rupees Mumin Khan, the Prince's servant, brought to the Emperor 100 elephants from Abul Hasan Muhammad Masum envoy of Abul Hasan, got a robe at interview Qalich Khan from Zafarābād had audience Muhammad Matlab became Mir Tuzuk vice Saifullah Khan deceased Muhakam Singh Chandrawat came to Court from home and got a robe

THE EMPEROR'S MARCH FROM SHOLAPUR TO CAPTURE THE FORT OF BIJAPUR

As Sikandar ('Ādil Shah) was not befriended by the happy arrival of Khizir, he could not reach the elixin vitæ of dominion. The sharers of his power, [276] appointed Siddi Mas'aud, 'Abdur Rauf, and Shaiza the general, to exercise control over him and they treated him as of no account. Persisting in self-will and haughtiness, they even quarrelled among themselves, the king could not leave the city, but oppressed the citizens. Having come under the influence of the infidel Sambhā, he used to be his co-sharer in harming the Muslims. He considered the strong fort of Bijapur as his refuge in evil days.

One day Shaikh Muhammad Naqshbandi of Sirhind had audience In course of conversation he said, "I have heard that Your Majesty wants to march against Bijapur' The Emperor replied, "The only benefit which we kings derive from our position in the world is the gaining of fame I had wished that one of my sons would gain it, but it is not to be I therefore, wish to go (in person) and see what sort of barrier this wall is that it is not being removed from before us '' On Monday, the 14th June, 1686/2nd Shaban, the imperial standards moved from Sholapur in that direc-On Saturday, the 26th June/14th Shaban, Prince Muhammad 'Azam and Bidar Bakht [277] had audience, and received robes Bahādur Khan and Rao Anup Singh, son of Rāo Karn, got robes on interview On Saturday, the 3rd July/21st Shaban, when the imperial camp reached Rasulpur, three kos from Bijapur, Firuz Jang Bahadur had audience, and after receiving 30,000 rupees, ten horses worth 9,500 rupees, an elephant with silver $s\bar{a}z$, and a special robe, was sent to the post of Bidar Bakht son Qamruddin Khan received a jewelled dagger with pearl 'ilāqa On Sunday, the 4th July/22nd Shaban the Emperor ordered the trenches to be advanced, the towers to be overthrown by cannonade, and the moat to be filled up.

^{*} A play upon the name Sikandar = Alexander the Great, who, guided by the prophet Khizir, traversed the dark wilderness (zulinat) and reached the spring of the water of life, by tasting which he became a world-conqueror,

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12th July, 1686-30th June, 1687

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[278] Nawāzish Khan was made faujdar and qiladār of Mandasor receiving a robe Suhrab Khan was given a jewelled jigha Sarāfrāz Khan and Daud Khan got robes at interview Abul Khair, son of Shaikh Nizam became darogha of 1a namaz khanah vice Muhammad Sharif and I (the author) became mushrif (of that department) vice Dindar Muhammad Mumin son in law of Irij Khan was appointed naib subahdar of Berar vice Raziuddin Khan deceased who had been administering the province as the deputy of Hasan Alı Khan and had fallen down dead while talking with his soldiers On Saturday, the 21st August 1686/11th Shawwal Qulich Khan was appointed to the trenches after receiving a bow and a quiver Kamāluddin Khan son of Dilir Khan recovered from his wounds inter viewed and received a robe a sword and a mace (asa) set with jasper Itiqad Khan coming from Ahmadnagar had audience Raja Bhim Singh came from Aimir by command and had andience

On Saturday the 4th September/25th Shawwal the Emperor rode to the edge of the moat, in order to inspect the battery which had been raised opposite the turret (kangurah) of the fort and to learn the reason why the conquest was still delayed Great noise was made by the cortege and rockets and muskets began to be fired with great noise from the fort [279] Flaming cannon balls passed over His Majesty's head Mir Abdul Karim through his ingenuity, composed an extempore hemistich embodying the date Bijapur will be soon conquered which he showed to the Emperor after scrawling it on a bit of paper with a lead pencil The Emperor took it as a good omen and said 'God grant it be so!' Thank God, the capture of the fort was accomplished that very week. On Saturday the 11th September 1686/3rd Zil Q the slave Jalal was rewarded with the title of Sarbarah Klinn for his

excellent work in trenching. As the imperial warriors had collected in two months and twelve days all the materials necessary for destroying the enemy, Sikandar and his companions, seeing death near, begged paidon for their faults and cried for quarters. On Sunday, the 12th September, 1686/4th Zil Q, the fort was captured by 'Alamgir, and all the people of the country, high and low alike, were glorified by coming under the Emperor's rule. The banners of Islam, which had been turned upside down in this country for a long time, again uplifted their heads. From every side of the earth the cry "Truth came and false-hood vanished" rose to the vault of the sky

The Emperor graciously [280] accepted the prayer of Sikandar, who thus escaped the imperial wrath (for his misdeeds) He was granted an interview in the Public Audience-hall, and presented with a special robe, a jewelled dagger with pearl 'ilaqa and phul katara worth 700 rupees, a pearl necklace with emerald pendant worth 13,000 rupees, a jewelled kalgi, and a jewelled 'asa He was given the title of Sikandar Khan and an annual pension of one lakh of rupees A tent was fitted up for his residence within the gulālbār, and supplied with all necessary articles Sikandar Bey, who held the title of Sikandar Khan, had the letter alif added to his name (1 e, became Iskandar Khan). 'Abdur Rauf and Sharza came to interview, each receiving a robe, a sword, a jewelled dagger with pearl 'ilāqa, a horse with gold saz, an elephant with silver saz, and the rank of 6-hazāri (same tr) The first was entitled Dilir Khan, the second Rustam Khan To Mahābat Khan, Sharif-ul-mulk, Mukhtar Khan and Sarafraz Khan elephants were presented, to Qalich Khan a dagger and a horse, to Lutfullah Khan and Ghaznafar Khan banner and tugh, to Saf Shikan Khan kettledrums, to Himmat Khan a sword with jewelled sāz, to Qamruddın Khan a jewelled dagger [281] The Emperor in his presence graciously permitted Umdat-ulmulk Asad Khan to sit cross-legged on a cushion Khwaja Wafā, dārogha of the sukh-sajyā-khānah (cosy bed) carried to him a masnad, a gold-woven sofa, (takia-gāh) and a suzani ornamented with gold-embroidered figures, and received (from the Khan) a robe and 1,000 rupees Emperor permitted him to keep the money

Hasan 'Alı Khan Bahādur 'Alamgirshāhı died of severe illness. He was a matchless hero and commander, unique in benevolence to all, truthfulness of speech, and

of Meeen after being given a robe, a dagger, a horse and MMM rupees, was permitted to depart 'Aisha, daughter of Sikandar Khan was presented with a cap with pearls ittached Mir 'Abdul Karim became amin of the seven chankly for the second time.

THE FMILTON MAKCHES FROM SHOLATUR TOWARDS HAIDARADAD

Abul Hasan the ruler of Haidaribad, was stupid and sunk in sinful lust, misled by his evil fortune he shut his eyes to the sins punishable in the next world, and made the vagabond Hindus the managers and administrators of the affairs of his State and gave currency to the rites of that accursed race And those trivellers in the wrong path of futile wandering and ignorance those carrion-eating demons (ghul) of the wilderness (namely) the Persians (i.e., Shias) with the support of that worthless sect (the Hindus) began to practise there publicly all kinds of shameful sins No respect was left for Islam and its adherents, mosques were without splendour, while idol temples flourished requisites of canonical practice remained closed under bolts while the gates of irreligious practices (bida t) were flung In the excess of his intoxication with the wine of negligence, Abul Hasan did not distinguish the night from the day, thanks to his addiction to evil company and his badness of aims he refused to prefer Faith to Infidelity the many kinds of injury that the hellish Sambha had inflicted on worshippers of the True God Abul Hasan became his helper and ally On seeing a single (really) un substantial frown and on hearing one vain threat (from that Maratha king) what vast sums did he not send to that enemy and simply through his meanness of spirit and cowardice kept himself safe from plunder by that man? [286]

This Emperor of Emperors is the asylum of Muslims He honours none but the people of the true Faith he injures none but the infidels and heretics (ahal i bid at), the sharpness of his sword has cleansed the face of the earth from the filth of the blood of disturbers although he has conquered with his bright sword strong forts the spring breeze alone can* open the buds in the garden. Our Emperor's zeal

I have conitted the negative particle of the text, in order to make some of the passage

for the Faith and his delicate sense of honour as a master of the world, persuaded him that, inspite of his wielding a world-conquering sword, he ought first of all, by following the generous policy of admonition and direction, try to remove the cotton-wool of heedlessness stuffing the ears of Abul Hasan, and open the gates of entrance into the Islamic land of right guidance before the face of that unlucky man His Majesty repeatedly sent messages full of advice and good counsel to that wretched fellow urging him to abandon his alliance with the infernal infidel enemies (of Aurangzib and Islam), his vicious attachment to practitioners of irreligious acts (heresy, bid'a), and the sins of appointing Brahmans as his ministers (peshkār), in giving help (in the form of money and troops) to the hostile misbelievers $(k\bar{a}fis)$, the promotion of various degrees of prohibited practices [such as drinking wine] and treading the open path of cherishing vain ideas (of independence) The result (of listening to this advice) would be that his innocent subjects would not be helplessly trodden under the feet of the imperial cavalry and he himself would personally remain safe from the tempest of overthrow and humiliation But as Fortune had deserted him, Ruin instigated him (to refuse) He gave his house up to plunder (at Haidarābād) by the army of Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam, who had been appointed to guide him to the right path of sub-At that time, Abul Hasan by procrastination, i e, by deceiving the Prince with promises and flattery and clouding his intellect with many kinds of fraud and spells, secured his release from the grasp of the Prince, and made the increase of his treasure [287] and troops and the strengthening of the four walls of his fort (Golkonda) the veil over the eyes of his knowledge and the lock on his pardon-begging tongue

Therefore the Emperor had no help but to act according

to the verses —

You should fondle the heads of asses with the stick in your hand,

When they set their refractory steps outside the right path

On Sunday, the 5th December, 1686/29th Muharram, the Emperor started from Sholāpur to visit the tomb of Mir Sayyıd Muhammad Gisudarāz at Ahsanābād Gulbargā

He repeatedly visited the holy place. Twenty thousand rupees were presented to the representatives of the holy saint and the residents including the hermits and beggars After passing a week there the camp moved towards Zafarabad Bidar where it stayed for twenty days, in the vain hope that Abul Hasan would come to his senses But the latter was not guided by Providence to such good fortune fore at last on Friday, the 14th January, 1687/10th Rabi A the Limperor mounted his horse to punish that luckless man When Abul Hasan heard of it, he in terror of the imperial army could think of no place of refuge save his fort. So he shut himself up in it and remained bewildered with his face to the will like a picture lips despairing of laughter, eyes full of tears head vacant of sense tongue speechless. At this time, [288] when the day of his destruction had drawn near, he wished to submit and make a new protestation of fidelity * * * The Emperor did not assent to his prayers the only reply given to him was the sword The Emperor advanced and then halted two stages from Haidarābād Firuz Jang who had been sent from Bijapur to conquer Ibrāhimgarh hastened to the Court by way of Haidarabad after accomplishing his task Despatches from him were now received announcing that he had arrived at and taken possession of the city of Haidarabad, for His Majesty But thanks to the power of the fortune of Alamgir, the enemy inspite of their countless number and incalculable wealth were struck with such terror that during the advance of the imperial army no human being appeared either before the Emperor's own force or the army of Firuz Jang

On Friday the 28th January 1687/24th Rabi A the Emperor ordered the enemy s army which had assembled at the foot of the fort [289] like swarms of ants and flies around a carrion or on a lump of sugar to be driven away. The imperialists made great efforts in carrying out the command. As they say, The wind came and the gnats fled" the enemy fled leaving their property, children and families in the hands of the imperialists. Qalich Khan galloped up to the fort and wanted to enter it immediately. But God had willed it otherwise. ** * A zamburak ball hit him on the shoulder blade and save Lutfullah Khan who had heroically accompanied him in this bold enterprise none advanced to aid him. So the Khan had to return on horse back from that terrible place of slaughter, and reached

his own camp (dāna) By the Emperor's command 'Umdatul-mulk went to visit him in his sickness. At that time the surgeons were extracting the splinters of bones from his shoulder-blade, and he was sitting composedly and talking with the persons present without any contraction of the muscles of his forehead, and was sipping coffee with the other hand. He remarked, "I have got an admirable stitcher! "Although the surgeons and physicians, by command, employed all sorts of remedies [290], he died after three days. The Emperor bestowed robes and other favours on Firuz Jang Bahādur and other sons of the deceased and on Siādat Khan

On Monday, the 7th February, 1687/4th Rabi S, orders were issued for digging trenches Although guns, muskets, and 10ckets were fired incessantly day and night from the fort, which seemed as if made of fire, the heroes of the imperial army under the leadership of Saf Shikan Khan recked not being burnt or slain, but carried the trenches to the foot of the ditch in the space of one month This work, which usually takes years, was finished in a twinkle of the eye Heavy guns were mounted opposite the fort, the pillars of which were demolished by the fire of their guns, but success remained distant Saf Shikan Khan, having constructed a lofty gun-platform raised it up to the height of the turret of the fort and mounted guns on it, yet owing to his spite and enmity with Firuz Jang, he withdrew his hand from the work and resigned Salabat Khan became Mir Atish vice him [291] He too could not discharge the duty as it should have been and resigned Sayyıd Ghairat ('Izzat) Khan succeeded him night owing to the neglect and self-will of the chiefs, the enemy fell upon the raised battery, spoiled the gun, bound and carried off ('Izzat) Ghairat Khan, Sarbarah Khan (a slave), and a party that had fallen into their hands Shikan Khan was punished with removal from mansab and imprisonment Salabat Khan was again appointed Mir Atish Lutfullah Khan and the party of the khās chauki and other eager soldiers were appointed to guard the raised battery The Khan stayed for three days in the middle of the river which flows at the foot of the fort, when another force arrived and expelled the enemy and firmly established the battery After two days Abul Hasan sent back 'Izzat Khan and others with robes They came by the way of the battery But owing to the severity of the rains and this

unseasonable delay, much of the battery was ruined Saf Shikan Khan guaranteed that in a short time he would construct batteries up to the turret by the side of another bastion, he was released and did what he had promised

At this time owing to excess of rain the river Manjera raged in flood No provision could come from the neigh bourhood Famine prevailed wheat pulse and rice dis appeared [292] Cries of grief at the disappearance of grain rose from the famished on all sides of the camp men of Haidarabad, not a soul remained alive houses river and plain became filled with the dead. The same was the condition of the camp At night piles of the dead were formed round the Emperor's quarters Daily sweepers dragged them and flung them on the bank of the river from summise to sunset. The same thing happened every day and night. The survivors did not hesitate to eat the carrion of men and animals Kos after kos the eye fell only on mounds of corpses The incessant rain melted away the flesh and the skin otherwise the putrid air would have finished the business of the survivors After some months when the rains ceased the white ridges of bones looked from a distance like hillocks of snow Through the grace of God to the survivors the rains abated, the violence of the river ceased and provisions came from the surrounding country In the place of Sardar Khan, karori gani, Sayvid Sharif Khan, son of Mir Sayyid Muhammad Qanauji, the spiritual guide of Shāh Jahān and an honest able and accomplished man was appointed Thanks to the gracious aim of the Emperor the custodian of the livelihood of the people, the scarcity was removed, and cheapness restored

IMPRISONMENT OF PRINCE MUHAMMAD MU'AZZAM

*** [293] The Prince in spite of his excellent under standing, reason and imagination was so misled by his bad companions and evil counsellors that the Emperor apprehended from him mischief and disloyalty, which was likely to cause affliction to the Prince himself and disgust to the Emperor s mind. For some time he overlooked the Prince's conduct, not wishing such a scandal to be made public. But when the Bijapur undertaking was thrown into confusion some men who used to convey secretly messages to Sikandar in the fort were captured and executed. On Saturday the 28th August 1686/18th Shawwal others

of his disloyal servants viz, Mumin Khan dārogha of artillery, 'Aziz Afghān, Multafat Khan the second bakhshi, and Brindaban Purfan (the cunning) were ordered to be expelled from the camp The Jamp of wisdom and far-sightedness had been extinguished in the Prince's council by all this darkness of evil fortune (1 e, evil counsellors) And in conducting the war against Haidarābād, he was overcome by the fraudulent seductions of the foolish Abul Hasan [294] Gradually the letters which used to be sent into the fort of Golkonda through the medium of the secretwriter of the trenches, fell into Firuz Jang's hands And other signs of disloyalty bore witness to the tiuth of the matter. One night the Khan went from his lodgings to the Emperor and showed the letters, and convinced the Emperor of the Prince's self-will, and various acts of disobedience and disloyalty The Emperor summoned Hayat Khan, younger brother of Ihtamam Khan, who was the darogha of the Prince's diwān-i-khās, and said, "Carry this order to the Prince, Shaikh Nizām Haidarābādi wants to make a nightattack on the army to-night, send your men to bar the way of the enemy As your men will go there, Ihtamām Khan will remain 10 und your tent (as a guard) " The necessary order was issued to Ihtamam Khan It was done Next day the Prince with his sons Muhammad Mu'izzuddin and Muhammad 'Azım was brought to the Emperor, who was sitting in the Hall of Audience After the Prince had come and sat down for some time, the Emperor said, "I have spoken to Asad Khan and Bahramand Khan about certain matters Hold conference with them in the player-room " The three princes went, willy nilly They were stripped of their arms, and detained there while a tent was being pitched (for them), and then they were taken to the tent The Emperor rose from the Court and went to the harem by way of the deorhi of the khās parastāi Crying "alas" alas!" he struck his hands on the two knees and continued saying, "I have razed to the ground the work of forty years "'' [295] In short, through the exertions of Ihtamam Khan guards were posted round (the Prince's camp) The imperial clerks confiscated the goods and slaves of the Prince's household, in one twinkle of the eye, and as it were cairied a drop of water to the ocean Ihtamam Khan was a hazān, he now got the title of Sardār Khan and the increment of 500 His son Hamiduddin, who was a 2-sadi, received an increment of 2-sadi (50 tr)

In the course of a long period mines were run by Jamslud Khan, treasure (māl) was brought by 'Abul Wāhid Khan the Emperor went to the quarters of Firuz Jang Khan by way of the old raised battery, high officers were appointed to make the assault they worked hard all day Firuz Jang Khan Bahadur and Rustam Khan were wounded many of the bold fighters were slam at the end of the day Kām Bakhsh was sent with Umdat ul mulk Asad Khan (as reinforcement) the men could not advance one inch, owing to the shower of musket bullets rockets chadar and hugga (bombs) without being slain or wounded But still the object was not gained After spending the night in the quarters of Firuz Jang the Emperor returned to the camp at early dawn without ceremony Various other plans were tried, immense wealth was spent. The godless atheists in greed of gain co-operated with the enemy and played their juggling tricks Some avaricious traitors joined him and after at first getting hopes from him (at last) went to hell through his deception Some by sending in grain [296] caused their own perdition and met with the fate of ungrateful persons. The siege was protracted. The Emperor decided that a fort of wood and mud should be built round the fort of Golkonda In a short time it was completed and guards were placed at the gates ingress and egress being forbidden except on producing pass ports By this time Firmz Jang Khan recovered from his wound and had audience receiving a robe a zarah a special jahalam and a sewelled mace. A robe was presented to the wounded Rustam Khan Bahram Khan son of Mahabat Khan deceased was killed by a cannon ball A mourning robe was given to his brother Farjam Jan Nisar Khan's brother was slain and for this reason favours were conferred on the Khan Shujā et Khan brother of Saf Shikan Khan, Mir Abul mu ala bakhshi of the army of Firuz Jang Khan Ekkataz Khan, Suhrāb Khan Muhammad Hākim and other wounded and scorched soldiers recovered through the Emperor s gifts

On Saturday the 28th May 1687/26th Rajab Shaikh Nizām the best servant of Abul Hasan, who communded the force outside the fort wall came to interview the Emperor, presented 500 mohars and 1 000 rupees and received the title of Muqarrab Khan the rank of 6 hazāri (5 000 tr.) a special robe a sword a dagger with pearl 'ilaqa a jewelled shield a banner kettledrums, 100,000 rupees in

cash, twenty Arab [297] 'Irāqi, Turki and Cutchi horses, and two elephants—Malik Munawwai, Shaikh Lād, Shaikh 'Abdullah and his sons, and some of his relatives got high titles, ranks,—none less than 4-hazāri,—robes, banners, kettledrums, horses, and elephants

Āsuji Deccani, who was Sambhā's qiladār of Sālhir, had audience, receiving a robe, a standard, a tugh, kettlediums, a horse, an elephant, and 20,000 rupees. Saibuland Khan brother of Sarfaiāz Khan was given a standard, a tugh, and kettledrums. Mānkoji, Sambhā's qiladār of Sāngola had audience after the capture of this fort and received a robe and the rank of 2-hazāri (1000 tr.)

On Friday, the 20th May/18th Rajab, Muhammad 'Ali Khan, Khān-i-sāmān, died He was noble-minded and generous, everybody who went to him had his wish fulfilled He had rectitude, piety, honesty, truthfulness, and sagacity Kāmgār Khan got his post, and was succeeded by 'Itiqād Khan as dārogha of the ghusalkhānah, near the Emperor's person Iftikhār Khan, son of Sharif-ul-mulk Haidarābādi, sister's son of Ābul Hasan, had audience, receiving a robe and the rank of 3-hazān (1000 tr) Sharif Khan, who was appointed karon-ganj of the camp and collector of jazia for the four subahs of the Deccan, was ordered to tour in the subahs, in order to see that the jazia was collected according to the rules of the Holy Law [298] Mir 'Abdul Karim, in addition to his own duties, became deputy of the Khan, in the post of karon-ganj Sharif-ul-mulk died on Saturday, the 25th June, 1687/24th Shaban Robes were presented to his sons

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91-T YEAR OF THE REICH (1098 AH)

1st July 1687-19th June 1688

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On Thursday the 7th July/7th Ramzan the Emperor rode out to inspect the trenches and the raised battery of Saf Shikan Khan which had been carried in a short space of time up to the height of the turret of the fort a second time. For two hours the Emperor viewed the condition of the fort on foot. Muhammad 'Azam Shāh who had started to punish the rebels of Hindustan before the Emperor set out from Sholāpur and had reached Burhānpur and [200] Bakhshi ul mulk Ruhullah Khan who had been engaged in administering the disordered subah of Bijapur both reached the Presence by command on Sunday the 10th July/10th Ramzan. The Prince was placed in command of the operations against the fort

CAPTURE OF GOLKONDA FORT

At midnight on Wednesday the 21st September/24th Zil Q the Bikhshi ul mulk with a party of heroes in cluding Bihidur Khan, and others on the look-out for an opportunity was walking round the fort when through the treachery of Sarandaz Khan Batnı Bijapuri who had deserted to the imperial service before the capture of Buapur and afterwards joined Abul Hasan and become his trusted officer they entered the fort through a back door (klurki) close to the old entrenchment. The Prince who was staying at the river that flows at the foot of the fort in order to support this corps now reached the entrenchment and struck up the music of victory The Bakhshi ul mulk reached the havels of Abul Hasan, and in spite of the frantic opposition of him and his companions captured and brought him away to the presence of the Prince Abdul Wali, son of Shaikh Abdus samad J afar Khani munshi of the [800] Emperor presented a quatrum embodying the date Out of his innate graciousness Azam Shah refrained from

ordering this doomed man to be given the due meed of his acts, but, with the Emperor's permission brought him to his (the Prince's) own tent. At the end of the same day, he took him to the Emperor's quarters. That captive in the prison of error, after being freed from the terror which filled his heart, was lodged in a tent pitched for him, he fell under the Emperor's gracious indifference instead of wrath

Thank God that such a strong fort was captured in the space of eight months and a few days. What a marvel that after one year's interval, in the same month two forts whose fall had not been previously imagined as possible were captured. Min 'Abdul Karim found out the date of this wonderful conquest in the words "Conquest of the fort of Golkonda, God bless it!" and was praised for it

I shall now describe the strength of this fort, the charms of this city, and the climate of this country. In former times Golkonda [301] was called Mangal, its Raja was named Dev Rai After him it was captured by the Bahmanis. After the fall of the Bahmani dynasty, the fort was taken possession of by 'Ali Naqi Qutbul-mulk, a ghulām of Sultān Mahmud Bahmani, who was in charge of it. The fort is situated on a hill, the summit of which pierces the armour of the sky like the blade of a sword The celestials meet the terrestrials here None but 'Alamgn ever conquered this fort. On no side has it any ledge that might supply a handle for the noose of the fancy of capturing it to raise itself But it had a hillock which might have helped a very great general to attack it successfully Before his accession to the throne when Aurangzib invaded this country but afterwards graciously paradoned 'Abdullah Qutb-ul-mulk, he, in the thought that Aurangzib might return, built a strong fort round this hillock and included it within the foit of Golkonda, and thus gained security in the

The city of Haidarābād is situated two kos from the fort of Golkonda, it was founded by Muhammad Quli Qutb-ul-mulk, [302] who was infatuated by the courtezan Bhāgmati and named the city Bhāgnagar after her Afterwards it got its present name Now that it has been annexed to the Empire, turned into an additional subah of the Deccan, it has been named $D\bar{a}r$ -ul-jihād Haidarābād It is a very pleasant place, delightful to the body and the mind

The cultivated area is more extensive than fancy can picture, the houses higher than one can imagine the air is so moist, the fountains so pure and flowing, and the verdure so fresh that you may think that the flowers and herbs of the land have the colour of emerald and ruby ***

It would verily require another volume to describe in detail the coming of the Haidarābādis to the imperial Court their gaining of mansabs from seven hazāri to 5 sadi and the admission into the imperial service of professional men,

men of skill and artisans of every kind

On Monday the 26th September/29th Zil O Muhammad Kam Bakhsh was made subahdar of Berar He had been a 10 hazarı (5 000 tr), and now received an increment of 5 000 tr 'Umdat ul mulk Asad Khan and Firuz Khan each received an increment of a hazār tr and became a 7 hazārı (same tr) Mahābat Khan was promoted by the addition of a hazār zāt (1000 tr.) His grandson [303] Muhammad Mansur newly come from Persia (vilayet), had audience and received the title of Mukarramat Khan and the rank of 11-hazari (1000 ti) 'Abdullah adopted son (khānda) of Abul Hasan got the rank of 4-hazarı (same tr) Lutfullah Khan was a 2 hazarı (1000 tr) and now got an increment of 200 troopers Muhammad Yar Khan got an increment of 5 sads and became a 2-hazari (300 tr) Mir Muhammad Amin son of Mir Bahauddin brother's son to Qalich Khan deceased came to the imperial Court after his father had been slain in Turan on the suspicion of being in league with Anusha Khan the Ling of Urgan, who was at war with his own father in law 'Abdul Aziz Khan Ling of Bukhāra and was graciously favoured with the title of Khan and the rank of 2 hazari (1,000 tr) Mukhlis Khan son of Saf Shikan Khan who was acting as his father's deputy in the daroghaship of artillery got the post for himself with an increment of 200 tr making him a hazārı (300 tr) 'Ināyetullah, mushrif of the jewellery department a 4-sadi (50 tr.), got an increment of 10 troopers
Yar 'Alı Beg, a 4-sadi (40 tr.) got an increment of 15
troopers Shukrullah Khan son in law of 'Aqil Khan, was appointed faujdar of the environs of Haidarabad vice Siddi Yahya [304] He was a 5 sadi (same tr) and now got an increment of a hazar troopers Mir Abdul Karim was appointed darogha of fines Lutfullah Khan became darogha of the servants of Muhammad Mn azzam each of whom now got a mansab according to his position and rank, in the

Emperor's establishment The depressed Khidmat Khan was appointed nāzir vice Sardār Khan, who became dārogha of filkhānah vice Mu'ataqad Khan , Muhammad Matlab became a Khan

CONQUEST OF THE LAND OF SAGAR

When the Emperor's mind was freed from the tasks of occupying the spacious kingdom of Haidarabad, taking possession of all its forts, sending administrators and iegulators on all sides and granting interviews and posts to the Haidarābādi officeis, he sent a large aimy under Khānahzād Khan, son of Ruhullah Khan, against the land This country is situated between Bijapur and Haidarābād, and Pam Nāyak of tribe of Dhedh is its infamous ruler Fortune likes to favour the mean and the servile, and so this utterly worthless infidel, lower than the meanest of tribes in every generation from grandfather to father, uplifted his [305] airogant head in authority over this country By reason of his commanding 12,000 tr and one lakh of infantry and his possessing some strong forts, especially the place of his residence, which was one of the famous strongholds of the time, he held up his head as the equal of the kings of Bijapur and Haidaiābād None could extirpate him Nay more, Muslims adoring him as a leader considered him as their mediator and defender in evil days, so that at the siege of Bijapur he had the audacity to send 6,000 fighting footmen, with provisions carried on the head, who were slain by Firuz Jang, as has been already narrated And also at the siege of Golkonda he had repeatedly aided the Haidarābādis and thereby made his own downfall sure

Khānalizād Khan was instructed that if this misguided man agreed to visit the Emperor he should not take steps to desolate his country or slay and imprison his subjects, otherwise he should serve him right. The Khan hastened to the country and wakened him from the sleep of pride, by sending the imperial order to him. As the people of his country were not destined for ruin, nor were his wealth and household effects doomed to destruction, in spite of his not

^{*} The text writes the name variously on different pages—Padam, p 239, Pia, pp 264, 304 and 305. The correct name is Pain (vide my History of Aurangzib, Vol. V, Ch. 56, § 2)

believing in a Day of Judgment, he on receiving the imperial message and anticipating a vast army sent word to say that he would surrender his kingdom to the King of Kings and submit to the Emperor And so his effects were saved from destruction [306], and none of his men was killed According to the Emperor's instructions the Khan guarded his family and did not permit a blade of grass to be destroyed He came out of the fort and met the Khan and on Monday, the 28th November 1687/2nd Safar, the fort bowed to the Muslim leaders In a place where since the far-off foundation of the world none had been able to utter the cry of prayer (namāz), the Musalmāni drum was so loudly beaten that it deafened the ears of false believers The cry "Islam is true infidelity is false" rolled up to the dome of the sky and strengthened the spirits of the Islumites The Khan after appointing a defender of the fort and regulating and taking possession of the neighbour hood came to the Court with the Nayak and was properly rewarded His father had served well at the siege of Golkonda and now the son too showed no less ability in capturing Sagar Pām Nāvak was a strange creature of an uncouth shape

> Night has gone into mourning at being taken for his emblem

> The day has turned into night on account of the bulk

of this black cloud

Bears and pigs would have felt deeply disgraced if likened to him

Even the washer of the dead was disgusted at the sight of him

[307] I do not know how in the dark recess of his heart this light flashed that he should acquire the fortune of seeing the Emperor On Tuesday the 27th December 1687/2nd Rabi A the Emperor granted him an interview and honoured lum by giving him a place to stand far above his condition After attending the Court for five or six days he suddenly set off to visit hell Verse -

It is better that such a bad liver should be dead ' His sons and relatives were given proper mansabs His Majesty ordered the country of Sagar to be called Nasratābād The land is delightful, fresli, and fertile ***

THE LMPFROR'S RETURN FROM HAIDARĀBĀD TO BIJAPUR

As the only work agreeable to the Emperor was to regulate the world and train mankind, and he never desired to seek bodily repose from this task of conquering countries, therefore, inspite of the agreeableness of the climate of Haidarābād, [308] he decided to march to those cities his stay at which would lead to the most satisfactory conclusion of the affairs of the empire, especially to inflict proper punishment on the militant and unclean infidel Sambha, who had formed a protective alliance with those two lost travellers in the wrong path, namely Sikandar and Abul Hasan, and who by the assertion of this false claim left these two rulers in the enjoyment of no trust or respect of the public

On Wednesday, the 25th January, 1688/1st Rabi S, the Emperor started for Bijapur At an auspicious hour Khān Bahādur Firuz Jang was appointed to capture the fort of Adom from Mas'aud Habshi, a slave (ghulām) of the father of Sikandar, who during the confusion government of this dynasty became the supreme head of affairs, and ungratefully left to his master's son nothing save the name of king and carried off and stored in that strong fort the chief treasures, builed hoards, choice articles, and precious jewels 25,000 tr were appointed to accompany the Khan Bahādur Muhammad 'Āzam, after being variously favoured, was sent to extirpate Sambhā, 40,000 experienced tr followed him On Tuesday, the 7th February/14th Rabi S, the Emperor reached [309] Zafarābād Bidar, and lodged on the bank of the tank of Kamthanah. Here Abul Hasan, who had never during his fifteen years of reign travelled faither than from the city of Haidarābād to Muhammadnagar, one kos distant, and to whom this daily riding (with the Emperor) was very painful, begged permission to take to a life of retirement The Emperor ordered Jan-sipar Khan to convey him to Daulatabad, and the officers to get ready for him such articles of bed and board as are indispensable to pampered worldlings of weak faith Fifty thousand rupees a year was fixed for his needs What marvellous kindness was it on the part of His Majesty to nurse such a felon in the cradle of ease and comfort and pardon his sins!

It would be no exaggeration to call that tank the Tigris Whosoever sits on the embankment on its noithern side, gives repose to his own life Nowhere are the air and water better than here. The sown fields about this blessed water are green, the cultivators are not beholden to the rain clouds. They scatter the seeds one year, and reap the har vest for some years after. Here the great saint Khwāja Muhammad. Y aqub. Joibāri left the carivanserai of life. The Emperor. [310] had great kindness for the deceased. He conferred fivours on his relatives and sent his corpse to his home to be buried in the yault of his forefathers.

After three days halt here the army again marched On Saturday the 25th February/3rd Jamad A, the Imperor reached the outskirts of Gulbarga and made a pilgrimage to the tomb of Mir Sayvid Muhammad Gisuda riz removing the veil of poverty from the heads of the residents of that blessed place. After seven days' halt the army resumed the march towards Bijapur. On Thursday the 15th March. 1688/22nd Jamad. A the Emperor reached that city. All kinds of inhabitants fagurs and hermits who had fallen into want through the ruin of the city and its environs were relieved by the Emperor secharity.

CHAPTER XXXII

32nd at ar of the reign

20th June, 1688-8th June, 1689

I have no space to mention the numberless strong forts which were conquered by the imperial officers during this As the conclusion of the affair of the rebel Rajaram Tat under the command of Muhammad Bidar Bakht and the supervision of Khan Jahān Bahādui Zafai Jang and other heroes, was a grand event, and as great feats were performed, much activity displayed and large sums spent in it, I ought to narrate a little of it On Saturday, the 11th August/3rd Shawwal, the Emperor learnt from the newswriters of this army that the infernal dog had gone to hell through a gun-shot, on Wednesday the 4th July/15th Ramzan, the neighbourhood had been cleared of the rebel infidels, and vast multitudes of people were praising and blessing the Emperor for giving them peace [312] On the 5th September, 1688/19th Zil Q, the rebel's head was

brought to the Emperor

Kamgar Khan was married to the daughter of Sayyid Muzaffai Haidarabadi, and received from the Emperor a tobe, a horse, and a sahra worth 10,000 tupees Khan, brother's son of 'Ala-ul-mulk Fazıl Khan received the post of Khān-1-sāmān of the Emperor's household vice Kāmgār Khan, and an increment of 500 zāt (100 tr.) making him a 2-hazāii (400 tr), a kalgi and 'asā of jasper Mirzā Mu'ızz got the title of Musavı Khan and the post of daftardār-1-tan vice him Khwaja 'Abdur Rahım Khan became bayutāt vice Muhasan Khan, Mu'atamad Khan succeeded him as darogha of dāgh and tashihā I'tiqād Khan on the death of his wife (the daughter of Amir-ul-umāra Shāista Khan) received a special robe and a dagger Abul Hasan Haidarabadi had three daughters by the imperial command the first was married to Sikandar Bijapuri, the second to Muhammad 'Umar son of Shaikh Muhammad Nagshband of Sirhind, the third, to 'Umdat-ul-mulk Asad Khan's [313] son 'Inayet Khan who received a 10be, a horse, an elephant,

and a sahra Mukhlis Khan, Mir Atish, was sent to bring the water of the river Krishna to the city of Bijapur by an aqueduct and was presented with a dagger

Fizi 'Alı son of that Murshid Quli Khan who was a servant of the days of prince hood became a Khan and news writer of the lachart of the High Diwan When conferring the title the Emperor said 'Ask him if he wants to have 'Khan added to his name or his father's title The man for certain reasons (of his own) chose the title of Fazl 'Ali Khan The Emperor said My parents and I are the sacrifice of 'Alı (Qurbān 1 'Alı) Tell this fool Alı is gone you will be Ouli Fazl Ouli Khan is better I remember other remarks of His Majesty suited to this subject A courtier of Indian origin made suit that two house hold slaves had finished memorizing the Quran and hoped to be permitted to recite it to His Majesty The Emperor ordered them to be brought to him at night When they appeared and the courtier said The sons of so and so are present Majesty remarked 'Don't utter the name of a heretic (Shi a) The courtier was surprised and said, "I was speaking of so and so The Emperor replied Well if you don't believe me ask the names of both out asked and reported "They are called Hasan 'Alı and Husain 'Ali The Emperor retorted My parents and I are the sacrifice of Ali What connection have Hindustanis with this name? Through evil desires they are afflicted with friendship for the heretical Shi as leave the right path and go astray May God anaken us from the drowsiness of the negligent! [314]

Mihrunnisa Begam received permission to go to Delhi Lutfullah Khan was ordered to escort her Sardar Khin d'arogha of fil khanah, on getting a robe and an increment of 100 tr became a 1½ hazāri (500 tr) Sayyid Abu S aid the dismissed qāzi of the camp, died Mourning robes were presented to his sons Nizāmuddin and Paṇār ud-din * * Saf Slukan Khan became dārogha of 'arzi mukarrar zicc Siadat Khan Prince Daulat āfzā died and by command was buried in the tomb of 'Ah Adul Khan Bijapuri Ināyetullah, mushrif of the jewellery-depart ment became Khān i sāmān of the household of Zinat un nisa Begam Lashkar Khan, son of khan Jahan Shāh jahāni who had the title of Munawwar Khan was appointed defender of Bijapur Hamiduddin Khan son of Sardar

Khan, became dārogha of fil-khānah *vice* his father, he was a 5-sadi, and now received an increment of 100 troopers

I shall now write about the victories of Prince 'Azam Shah and Firuz Jang The Prince after taking leave of the Emperor for punishing Sambhā turned [315] his attention to the conquest of the fort of Belgaum which was one of the strong forts belonging to Bijapur In a short time he put the garrison to hard straits by running trenches and bombardment Those foolish men had set up as their chief a boy, whose father had been governor on behalf of Bijapur but had died a short time before this When they found their efforts unavailing, and the imperialists firmly determined, they capitulated, and the fort with its dependencies was conquered and named 'Azam-nagai' Through the kind mediation of the Prince, the boy made his bow at Court and received a suitable mansab. The Prince returned to Court as it was the season for going into quarters (chhauni) Firuz Jang Bahādur who had been engaged in besieging the fort of Adoni, first invited the [Adılshalıi] slave Mas'aud to visit the Emperor, but at last on seeing that the old fool chose the wrong path, he plundered and occupied the prosperous districts of the country, burnt the $w\bar{a}di$, slew the men who had boldly come out of the fort, ran trenches, fired guns and muskets, and so pressed the besieged hard [316] At last he came out of the fort with all humility, stating his demands, on the 6th August, 1688/8th Shawwal The fort was renamed Imtiazgarh

When Khan Firuz Jang's despatch announcing the conquest arrived, the beater and Stadat Khan were rewarded with robes, the band played joyous notes, the courtiers made their bow of invoking blessings. The Emperor in his infinite mercy gave the wretch Mas'aud the title of Khan the rank of 7-hazāri (same tr.) and the fauldāri and jāgirdāri of Morādābād, and ordeted that he should accompany the army of Firuz Jang Khan till he left the Deccan. His sons and relatives were highly favoured. Firuz Jang Khan after taking possession of the materials in the fort and the regulation and occupation of the neighbourhood, reached the court on Monday, the 19th November/5th Safar, and was rewarded for his excellent services. [317] 'Itimād Khan, Khān-i-sāmān, got the title of Fāzil Khan and Mir Husain, son of Āmānat Khan got his father's title

^{*} Printed text reads 'Azamābād, but the OPL Ms reads 'Azamnagar

THE GREAT 11 GUE-MARCH OF THE EMPEROR FROM DIJAPUR
TO THE COUNTRY OF SAMBHA

Khan Firuz Jang, on his return from the capture of Imtizigarh stayed at Court for a few days and was then sent to extirpate the infidel The Emperor resolved to march in aid of the Prince Friday, the 14th December/1st Rabi A, was chosen as the day for starting, and porters who had gone to distant parganahs were summoned back to the Court

In the middle of the month of Muharram (16th October—14th November 1688) a terrible plague broke out and carried off men. The health of the people became impaired and runed by declining from their normal condition. Jos ous practices ceased. All sat down in nourning. Death wanted to remove the seed of human kind altogether from the world. I cannot say that the great Day of Judgment had come, but this was a day of doom at the power of which great and small alike lost their lives.

A bubo appeared in the armpit or the corner of the thigh high fever and unconsciousness raged the treatment of physicians produced no effect. Few men lived through two days but most died within two or three days. Even those who lived and had lost no dependant on seeing the prevailing state of things considered themselves as dead would it have been if this thought had remained in the mind in times of prosperity! In short none looked after any body else everywhere the cry rose 'My own self! my own The half-dead people abstained from all worldly works and affairs and lay in expectation of death every hour Among the victims were the Emperor's parastar the old and devoted hand maid Aurangabadi Mahal Muhammadi Ray the son of Maharaja Jaswant Singh, who had been brought up in the imperial harem and attained to the age of thirteen years and a high mansab Fazil Khan Sadr and many other grandees. The middle class men and the common people Muslims and infidels who died cannot be numbered but are conjectured to have been not less than a lakh Many were afflicted by disorder of the brain or lost the use of their eyes tongues and ears Among the highest Firuz Jang Bahādur received injury in his eyes Who spoke or heard anything of the plight of the common people? Historians have not recorded any such havoc in any former

age The oldest man living has not seen or heard of such an epidemic, which lasted for two months [319]

In the midst of such a destruction the Emperor, relying on the help of God, came out of Bijapui on the above-mentioned date with strength of heart and firmness of purpose Praised be God that after one week of violence the epidemic began to abate. Through the grace of God, the Emperor marched to Ākluj As according to the physicians the eye of Firuz Jang Khan was not likely to be healed soon, the Prince alone was sent off with the army to the country of the enemy [Sambhā]

CAPTURE AND EXECUTION OF SAMBH I

While the Emperor [320] was staying at the aforesaid place for transacting certain affairs, the ears of the world were gladdened by a happy news from the invisible world. The merry music of victory, which the ears of the Muslims had been expecting, resounded through the sky. Peace and safety were restored through the blessings of the justice and virtues of the Emperor. Disturbance sank down. Satan was chained. To speak more plainly, through the power of the Emperor's fortune, the infernal infidel Sambhā was made prisoner by the army.

Shaikh Nizām Haidarābādi, suinamed Mugaiiab Khan, a brave general who with his sons and relatives enjoyed among themselves the ranks of 25-hazārı (21,000 tr) in recognition of his military capacity, had been appointed from Bijapur before this to capture fort Parnālā, which was in the enemy's possession Like a pludent and watchful man, he had sent spies to bring in news of the Suddenly they brought to him the true news that Sambhā, on account of his feud with the family of the Shirkés; who were connected with him by kinship, had gone from Rāiri to fort Khelnā, and after making a settlement with that family, and gaining composure of mind about provisioning this fort, he had gone to Sangameswar [321] where his minister Kavi-kalas had constructed gardens and lofty buildings, and was there engaged in meriment and pleasure Attended by a party of honour-seeking devoted followers, the Khan out of devotion to the Emperor, in utter disregard of his life started from Kolhapur, from which the

above place was forty five kos distant, and the path full of hill tops and passes so difficult and dangerous that travellers have not seen the like of them on earth He made forced marches Although the spies of Sambhā informed him that the Mughal army was coming, that man intoxicated with the wine of folly and pride had them beheaded by giving the signal of a frown and saying 'You heedless men, you are mad Can a Mughal force arrive here?' The Khan after nationally enduring much fatigue suddenly came upon Samblia with the speed of lightning or the wind that cursed wretch charged him with the support of four or five thousand Deccam spearmen, Kavi kalas was accidentally lut by an arrow and fled After a little fight Sambha concealed him self in a hole in the mansion of Kavi Lalas in the hore that none had noticed him Spies gave correct information to the Khan as to his hiding place. The Khan without pur suing the fugitives, surrounded the haveli His son Ilhlas Khan entered by the steps with a company of heroes and dragged that low fellow and Kavi kalas by the hair to the elephant ridden by the Khan [322]

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Twenty five of his chief followers with their wives and daughters were made prisoners. This news reached the Emperor at Aklui which was henceforth named As ad nagar He ordered Hamiduddin Khan son of Sardar Khan the provost marshal (shahna) of the camp to hasten to Mugarrab Khan and bring the captive chained and The victorious Khan came out of the country manacled (in safety) by prudent management, and through the good luck of 'Alamgir none of the infidel chiefs made any effort (to rescue the prisoner) On Friday the 15th February 1689/5th Jamad A when the imperial army after march ing from As adnagar had encamped at Bahadurgarh Sambhā was brought to the court The Emperor out of his devotion to Islam ordered that from two Los before the camp the disgraced and unlucky Sambhā should be made to wear a wooden cap* (the badge of a condemned criminal) and his comrades should be clad in the dress of buffoons punished in various ways, mounted on camels and brought to the

Kulah-i-Zangula—a ridiculously shaped cap from which are suspended many little bells and foxes tails and in which any person detected in selling short weight is exposed to public view

encampment and the darbar with drums beating and trumpets pealing,—so that the Muslims might be heartened and the infidels disheartened by seeing it. The night preceding the morning on which he was brought to the Court, was without exaggeration the shab-i-baiāt because nobody slept till morning for the pleasure of seeing the spectacle, and the day was like the day of 'Id because all men old and young went out to see such a scene of joy and happiness short, this man, who deserved a degrading parade and execution, was taken round the whole camp, and then [323] brought to the Emperor, who was sitting in the Hall of Public Audience. He ordered him to be removed to the prison of retribution That very moment the Emperor descended from the throne, and kneeling on the carpet of prayer bowed his head to the ground in thanking God and iaised his hands in prayer to the Judge of Actions and Promoter of Hopes The cloud of the Manifestation of the handswork of Providence was dissolved and drops of Marvel (at God's power) fell from his far-sighted eyes (Verse)

The peak of his cap is in high heaven, [and yet] His head is ever bowed down to the earth in reverence

As Sambhā had previously ignored the value of imperial mercy, and fled first from the Emperor's court in the company of his father, and the second time from the late Dilir Khan, therefore that very night his eyes were deprived of the power of seeing, and the next day the tongue of the deceitful speaker Kavi-kalas (was cut out) 1 1 1 324]

Where was Sambhā in his heaven-facing stronghold of Rāiri! and where was his present disgrace and captivity in retribution for his ingratitude! Of the various verses embodying the date composed by rhetoricians, that 'Inayetullah, the agent of 'Āzam Shah, viz,

"Sambhā became a prisoner with wife and son", [best]

expresses the event, and it was accepted by all His captor was rewarded for this splendid service with the title of Khan-1-Zaman Fath Jang, a reward of 50,000 rupees. a special and resplendent robe, a horse with jewelled saddle and saz, a dagger, a dhup, with jewelled purdalah, and promotion raising him to the rank of 7-hazāni (same tr) Of his sons, Ikhlas Khan got the title of Khan-i-'Alam, a robe, and promotion making him a 5-hazāri (same tr), Shaikh Miran the title of Munawwar Khan and Shaikh

'Abdullah that of Ikhtisās Khan Ihtarām Khan and other relatives and companions of the Khan each got a robe and a mansab In consideration of the harshness and insult that he had practised by slaying and imprisoning Muslims and plundering the cities of Islam, the destruction of this wicked infidel preponderated over the reasons for keeping him alive [325] and the decision of the masters of the Holy Law and Faith and the counsel of the dignitaries of the Church and State were in favour of despatching this hellish robber Therefore after the arrival of the Emperor at Koregaon on Sunday the 3rd March/21st Jamad A he was executed along with Kavi kalas with the sword on Monday the 11th March 1689/29th Jamad A

I shall finish the account of this matter by narrating an event which was the preface to the Emperor s success fore this when the capture of Sambha never came on the tongues of the people and was regarded as an impossibility Sayvid Fath Muhammad one of the sons of Mir Sayvid Muhammad Gisudaraz who after spending his long life in the military profession had taken to retirement in his home at Ahsanabad Gulbarga and whose son Sayyid Badi' ullah (whose forehead indicated his asceticism and goodness and fitness to be the successor of a saint) had been appointed successor at the saint's own tomb by the Emperor on account of his devotion to the saints of olden times and kindness to the members of this family and who had been granted the sairghul (rent free land) of some fertile villages besides [326] lavish and ms -came to the camp interviewed the Emperor who loved hermits and narrated 'I have often sat in prayer face to face with the illuminated tomb with a view to [fore] seeing the end of this infidel s career. One night I dreamt that I was travelling in order to visit holy places, and was passing over a hill difficult to traverse A party was setting up poles They asked me "Where are you going? I made my wish known They said 'A hog has established himself in this hill for a long time past. You too should exert yourself with us to catch him " After dawn it struck me that I should soon come to the army and take part in this holy war till the completion of the affair of the wicked The Emperor was greatly delighted to hear these words and showed respect to and conferred favours on the Sayyıd In less than ten days the wish of the people was The very day that the news of Sambha s capture reached the Emperor he summoned the Sayvid and after

giving him good wishes and pecuniary aid permitted him to depart. By way of showing gratitude for this wonderful victory, ten thousand rupees were sent to the blessed tomb for the poor and the attendants

On Tuesday, the 2nd April/21st Jamad S, the Emperor left Koregāon to see the fort of Islāmābād or Chākna Prince Muhammad 'Āzam, who was encamped five kos in front of it, came there and had interview That day after bidding farewell to the Prince [327] His Majesty returned to his mansion

One of the events of this auspicious year was the capture of the chiefs who had accompanied Rāmā [Rajaram] in his adversity. This infidel, the younger brother of Sambhā, had been kept in prison by the latter. After Sambhā's death he became chief and gained some authority in Rāiri. Before the capture of Rāiri, while Zulfiqār Khan was pressing the besieged very hard, he disguised himself as a yogi and fled from the fort (Verses)

Behold this coward, who will never See the face of good fortune He sought his own personal ease, He left his wife and son in distress

When this news was confirmed by the letters of spies, the Emperor issued orders to 'Abdullah Khan Barha,-who after he had acted for some time as the deputy of Bakhshiul-mulk Ruhullah Khan when the latter was summoned to Haidarabad, and had become himself Subahdar of Bijapur, and had then by the Emperor's command gone to capture two strong forts in the dependencies of Bijāpur,—now to capture Rāmā if he wandered on that side Spies brought to him the true news that Rāmā [Rajaram] lay concealed for some time, but had now gathered about 300 followers of the rank of chiefs, [328] and after passing within a few kos of that place had entered within the frontiers of the Rāni of Bidnur The Khan deferring to another time the capture of the forts, first sent his eldest son Hasan 'Ali quickly in that direction, and himself making forced marches for three days and nights reached the enemy at night within the border of the zamındarı of this she-bear, near the fort of Subhangarh and Jara, belonging to her and situated on the bank of the Tungabhadra, in the island of which the

enemy had tal en refuge. He reddened his sword in their blood Many died and went to hell Other men more than a hundred, including chiefs like Hindu Rao, and Vyankon, the brother of Santa and Baharu and Mania Ghorpare, were taken prisoners. In the midst of this tumult of limentation Rima [Rajaram], leaving his turban, coat and shoes not to speak of his weapons behind fled in such a manner that nobody got information of it. Although the khan had performed such a grand feat vet his ill luck mide him show negligence in the affair of the escape of Rimi. And the she bear too was suspected of having concealed Ruma and afterwards let him go At the first news that Rama had been captured the Emperor ordered Hamiduddin Khan to bring him to Court On the armyal of the second news he ordered the prisoners to be confined in the citadel of Bijapur Jin Nisar Khan was appointed with a large party [129] to invade the zamindari of the she bear. The Satanic Santa at this time triumphantly resisted the Khan Matlah Khan and Shafza Khan At last the affair of the Rani ended in her paying a small money tribute under the name of fine As he (Santā) was destined to live some time more he escaped being caught by the imperialists It was a wonder that Hindu Rao, Baharji and some others of the prisoners escaped from this strong prison, -escape from which is incredible except in concert with the cuards On the matter being reported to the Emperor the remuning eighty prisoners were executed Lashkar Khan became nazim vice Abdullah Khan His son Wajih ud-din the quad ir of the citadel and Fauidar Khan the Lotwal were punished by diminution of mansab

The MS reads—Hinda Rão Vekoji the brother of Santā Raharji and Māna Chorpare

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33RD YEAR OF THE REIGN 1100 A H
9th June, 1689—28th May, 1690 [330]

Han Shaf'ı Khan became daftar-dai of tan wee Musavı Khan, who got the former's post of diwan of the Decean Robes for the rains were presented to all the imperial servants at the Court and the provinces. Abul Khair Khan, son of 'Abdul 'Aziz Khan, became qiladar of Rajgarh, Mukhtar Khan Mir-Atish vice Mukhlis Khan, who became (dārogha of) 'arz-i-mukariar vice Muhammad Yāi Khan Mir 'Abdul Karım, a favourite of the Emperoi was rewarded with the title of Multafat Khan for his good services as karou-gani, when he made abundance and cheapness to appear in stead of scarcity and famine at Haidarabad, and thus deserved the Emperor's recognition Khan, son of Sardai Khan, worthy of upbringing, got the title of Khan and was sent to bring Muhammad Khujista Akhtar, the son of Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam, from Aurangabad to the Court Kāmgār Khan with a party was appointed to escort the servants of the harem of Mu'azzam to Shahjahanabad Mubarakullah, son of Iradat Khan and grandson of 'Azam Khan became faujdār of [331] Islāmābad Chākna and Kamāluddin Khan son of Islām Khan Wālāshāhi, qiladār of that place Ikhlās-kesh became news-writer of the kachaii of Khān-i-sāmān, vice Shaifuddin When Salābat Khan applied to come to Court, 'Itimād Khan became diwan and faujdar of the blessed port of Surat vice lıım Jan Nısar Klıan Abul Mukaram, receiving a dagger with a jasper handle and $s\bar{a}z$, was sent to punish the enemy On Wednesday, the 10th July 1689/2nd Shawwal, Bakhshiul-mulk Ruhullah Khan was appointed to wrest the fort of Raichur from the infidels Mukhtar Khan became his deputy Before the capture of Sambhā 'Itiqād Khan had been sent to conquer fort Rairi, the home and treasurehouse of this villain, on Saturday, the 19th October/15th Muharram he captured the fort and made the mothers, wives, daughters, and sons of Sambhā and of Rāmā [Rajaram]

prisoners Umdat al mulk presented to the Emperor his - son's despritch announcing the conquest and received a special robe, and a jewelled justia adorned with a heron s fe ther (par i kaling) The band played joyous tunes The courtiers made their bows and presented peshkash Rahim Khan basut it was ordered to go to Rairi and confiscite Samble is property [332] Itiqad Khan had audience on Saturday the 23rd November 1689/20th Safar ind was rewarded by promotion to the rank of 3-hazari (2000 tr.) and presented with a robe a horse a jewelled quiver a bow 30 000 rupees in each and the title of Juligar Khan Bilindur The Emperor graciously ordered that tents fit for holding Sambha's mother (Shivan's wife) and other relatives of the deceased should be set up in the culablar and they should be made to alight there with all respect and privacy Close to the misl of Umdat ul mulk the mist of the Ram s byzar was located for her servants and dependents to live in. Annual pensions were fixed on all of them according to their position. Shahu the nine year old elder son of Sambha was given the mansab of 7 hazari (same tr) the title of Rain and a robe n iewelled dagger arsi horse elephant kettledrums and standard Madan Singh and Adhu (Madhay) Singh his younger brothers were given mansabs and gifts and ordered to live with their mother and grandmother Imperial clerks were appointed to the establishment (sarkar) of each to manage their house hold affairs Qamruddin Khan son of Firuz Jang Khan had come to Lourt he got leave to depart after being given a robe a jewelled dagger and an increment of 5 sadi (200 tr) miking him a 21 hazari (2 000 tr)

CONQUEST OF RAICHUR

On Friday the 20th November 1689/26th Safar Bakhshi ul mulk Ruhullah Khan [839] captured the fort of Raichur which was now named Firuzuagar A robe and a farman of praise were sent to him His son khānahzād khan was promoted to 14 hazār (600 tr.) On Wednesday the 18th December/16th Rabi A the imperial camp started on the return journey from Koregaon towards Bijapur. On Friday the 3rd January 1690/2nd Rabi S the army arrived at this city for passing some time. After passing fifteen days on the 9th February 1690/10th Jamad A the cump reached the village of Badri. Bakhshi ul mulk

Bahramand Khan chose a neat place on the bank of the Krishnā for the imperial quarters. The Emperor liked it, and presented the Khan with a diamond ring. Here His

Majesty stayed for two months

One day while the Emperor was holding the high Court of Justice, Salābat Khan, the first Mir Tuzuk, presented a man who said, "I have come from the far-off land of Bengal to become your majesty's disciple—I hope that I may gain my desire". The Emperor smiled, took out of his pocket and gave the Khan about 100 rupees and bits (churn) of gold and silver to be presented to the man and said, "Tell him that the favour he expects from me is this!" The Khan gave him the money, but he flung it away and [334] jumped into the river. The Khan raised a cry lest he should be drowned—By command some people swam and rescued him from the river. His Majesty turning his face towards his inner circle, said to Sardār Khan, "A man has come from Bengal with the silly notion of becoming my disciple (Hindi verses)

Tupi lende bāwri dende, gahare nilaj, Chuhā khadan māwli tu kal bandhe chhaj!

"Take him to Miān Muhammad Nāf'i Sirhindi and request him to admit him as a disciple and to lay the cap of Sirhind on his head" God be my witness that there is (not) in this age any Shaikh or faqir except this Emperor, who reveals the ascetic behind the veil of the king and exalts asceticism by this type of kingship, who has reached such a degree of holiness as to train a disciple and lead him up to the rank (of a perfect hermit) But in spite of his possessing power that stretches up to the heavens, his nature is marked by humility, and in spite of his possessing riches and the materials of pomp, he is a man of prayer (Veise)

I am the servant of that king of kings under
whose sovereignty
Are combined the externals of the lord and
the soul of the ascetic

^{*}I offer the following forced interpretation of this couplet, for what it may be worth "O deeply shameless man! You talk of putting on a peaked cap and digging a large well with steps (bāori), rats are eating away the foundations [of your house] while you propose to construct its gallery to-morrow!" For lende read lenge, for dende read denge, for gahar gaharā, for māwli mul, and for chhaj chhajja [Translator]

On Saturday, the 15th February 1690/16th Jamad A, the I mperor learnt from the letters of the news writers that fort Sansani had been wrested from the infidels by Muhammad Bidar Bakht, [335] and the vanquished had been sent to hell On Sunday the 18th May / 19th Shaban, the imperial cump marched from Badri to Galgala Amanat Khan diwin of Bhapur became daftardar of tan tice Han Shifi Khan Abul Mukaram succeeded him Khwaja Abdur Rahim Khan became daroch i of dagh and tashiha tice Mu atamad khan deceased. A robe and a sarpech were sent to Muhammad 'Azam and a robe a jewelled guiver and bow a horse an elephant a sarpech a gracious farman and the title of Bahadur to Bid ir Bakht Muhammad Mu azzam was presented with five maunds of rose water and two mrunds of the essence of bid i mishk Udwat Sing who had come from home and had audience received a robe and the title of Raja Khan Jahan Bahadur Zafar Jang Kokaltash was made Subahdar of Allahabad and his son Himmat Khan that of Oudh and faujdar of Gorakhpur Abdull th Khan became faujdar of Nander vice Sazāwar Khan and Sardar Khan that of (the circuit of) twelve kos round the camp receiving a promotion of 400 Lingxror learnt that Safdar Khan son of Azam Khan Kokah faujdar of Gwalior had attacked a garhi and been killed by musket shot Prince [336] Khujista Akhtar was brought from Aurangabid to the Court by Hamiduddin Khan darogha of the fil khanah The Prince had audience and was ordered to stay with his father As Hamiduddin Khan paraded the elephants in a stout condition he received an increment of thirty troopers. It was learnt from the letters of news givers that Rustain Khan Sharza who had been appointed to patrol on the side of fort Satāra had been attacked by the enemy in that district defeated after a long contest and made prisoner with his family and children

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29th May, 1690—18th May, 1691

Khwāja Khidmatgār Khan became nāzir and dārogha of the jewel department vice Khwaja Khidmat Khan, who became caretaker (wah) of the tomb of Shah Jahan, thus taking to a life of retirement The Emperor ordered the officers (governors) [337] of every province to send 2,000 rupees to the Khan (latter) as a standing practice Lutfullah Khan was sent to the thanah of Khatav Shaikh Mukāram, was appointed thanahdar of Ahmad Aqa, ambassador of the Kaisar of Panchgāon Roum, Nazar Bey, envoy of the king of Bukhārā, and 'Abdur Rahım Beg, envoy of the king of Kāshghar, had audience, presented the letters and gifts of their masters, and were rewarded, with their followings at the first interview, during the period of their stay, and at the farewell audience, with all kinds of gifts and presents, consisting of robes, precious jewels, horses, elephants, and some cash In return for the friendly presents of these kings, rare objects and woven stuffs of Hindustan and jewels and precious and substantial articles were sent to them Hamiduddin Khan was ordered to convey treasure to the army of Muhammad 'Azam Shah Mir Nuruddin became qıladar of Murtazabad Mıraj Jan Nısar Khan was presented with a robe and an elephant (and sent) to punish the enemy Diānat Khan, son of Āmānat Khan, became diwan of the subahs of the Deccan vice Musavi Khan deceased The late Khan was one of the pure breed of Iran, unique by reason of his greatness of character, his patronage of scholars and artists, [338] his knowledge of the rational branches of learning, and his skill in poetry He was a son-in-law of Shah Nawaz Khan and thus senior to His Majesty (by marriage)

ASAD KHAN GOES BEYOND THE KRISHNA

On Wednesday, the 12th November, 1690/19th Safar 'Umdat-ul-mulk Āsad Khan set out by command to punish

the enemy roving on the further side of the river Krishna He was presented with an amulet containing the Quran in a diamond-ornamented I hanah (cover), a special robe, and a horse worth 500 mohars. His chief subordinates were favoured with robes, jewels, swords, horses, and elephants All others got robes according to their positions Multafat Khan dārogha of jā namāz khanah got the post of the head of abdur khanul (close to the Emperor) in addition to his own duties, vice khwaja Hayat khun Wafa Muhammad Mun'ım got the aminship of the 7-chauki vice him On Monday, the 23rd February 1691/4th Jamad S Emperor marched from Galgala newly named Outbabad and alighted outside the fort of Bijapur opposite the gate of Rasulpur this being his fourth visit to the environs of On Saturday, the 11th April/22nd Rajab, Khan Jahān Bahādur was appointed nāzim of the Panjāb vice Alijah Himmat Khan his son succeeded him as the subahdar of Allahabad [339] On Monday the 18th May 29th Shaban Bakhshi ul mulk Bahramand Khan who had gone to beat the enemy had audience receiving an incre ment of 5 sads which made him a 31/2 hazars (2-hazar tr) Mukhtar Khan was sent to punish the enemy Muftakhar Khan one of his subordinates was appointed to go to Sholapur and then return escorting Shaikh ul Islam who was coming to court by command



CHAPTER XXXV.

35TH YEAR OF THE REIGN

19th May, 1691—6th May, 1692

On Wednersay, the 27th May, 1691, 9th Ramzan, Muhammad Kām Bakhsh was sent to put down the rebels of the country of Jinji and to root out the enemy who ruled there By an increment of 5-hazān (3-hazān tr) he became a 20-hazān (15-hazān tr) [340] He was presented with a robe, a sanpech and half-sleeves, a jewelled dagger, sword, shield, halgi, inkpot and mānik, twenty horses with sāz of enamel and gold, a horse with silver sāz and two lakhs of rupees in cash Among his companions, Bakhshi-ul-mulk Bahramand Khan and other chiefs, and his clerks, were presented with jewels, robes, horses, and elephants Dindār, zamindār of Islāmgarh [Deogarh in Gondwana], was given the rank of a hazān (same tr.) a robe, a horse, an elephant, the title of Raja, and permission to go 'home'

From Raja Bishan Sing, (faujdar of Mathura) came a letter with a gold key announcing that Garhi Soghar had been wrested from the infidels on the 21st May/3rd Ramzan and that the baffled enemy had fled ruined to nooks and corners On Friday, the 19th June/2nd Shawwal, Hamiduddin Khan was sent to punish the enemy towards Sakkhar, receiving a jewelled jigha Mukhtar Khan Mir Ātish, was appointed to punish the rebels near Rāibāgh and Hukri, receiving a robe and an elephant Ghāziuddin Khan Bahādur Firuz Jang and his son Chin Qalich Khan were favoured by female elephants being presented to them Lutfullah Khan became darogha of the khas chaukı vice Salābat Khan Mukhlis Khan Qurbegi, Khānahzād Khān, son of [341] Ruhullah Khan and Jan Nisar Khan were each promoted to be a 2-hazārı (700 tr) Salābat Khan became a 2½-hazām (1200 tr.), Sayyıd Saif Khan Nur-ul-dahar, a 1½-hazārı (700 tr), Muhammad Yār Khan, a 1½-hazārı (400 tr) and Khidmatgar Khan, a hazarı (200 tr) Lutfullah Khan was removed from his mansab of 21/2-hazāri (1000 tr) for some offence

^{*} Sakkhar, near Shorapur in the country of the Berads

RELEASI OF TRINCE MUHAMMAD MU'AZZAM FROM CAPTIVITY

At the beginning of the Emperor s displeasure the Prince and his sons were not allowed even to cut the hair of their heads Six months passed in this way Khidmat Khan nazir who had been naib of Shah Jahan, and could speak boldly in consideration of his old services, urged this matter before the Emperor beyond limit At that time the Emperor only ordered the Prince to be reformed [by punishment | After a time when the violence of his anger gradually abated, and the natural kindness of His Maiesty returned transcripts of Quranic prayers were repeatedly entrusted to Sardar Khan muhāfiz with the order Convey these to this second Joseph and captive Jonah and tell him to be engaged in reciting them so that the kindness of God may incline my heart to release [342] him and cause him to be freed from the pain of separation from A fine idea was contained in this rare expression, so that the aforesaid Khan submitted to the Emperor, is in your Majesty's discretion to release him Emperor replied Yes but the King of Lings-supreme is His wisdom-has made me ruler of the habitable globe so that wherever oppression is practised by anybody on another the victim may hope that he will complain to me and will thus secure justice Owing to certain earthly con siderations I have inflicted hardship upon him But the time has not yet come for releasing him He has no asylum except the Court of God Then he ought to be kept in hope that he may not despair of me and complain to God for if he complains to God where shall I have refuge? As it was destined that this Prince would one day become sovereign, the Emperor's heart was inclined to this that the Prince would come out of his sufferings and troubles into the sunshine of royal favour. He began to give gradual and systematic relief to the Prince, with every caution and care so that even a fly might not trouble this soul sick patient

On the day when His Majesty marched away from Badri he ordered the said muhāfiz [343] that whenever the Emperor would ride away from his halting place the imperial tent should be kept standing with its carpets and decorations uncharged, and the Prince be brought from his quarters to it shown all the places and made to sit every where for some time so that all his senses and limbs might

acquire a proper change of relish from the delight and exhilaration It was done. The Prince said to the muhāfiz, "I ought to have an interview How can the thirst for an interview be slaked by a mere view of the house?" This went on till the news of the death of the Prince's mother Nawwāb Bāi came from Delhi Pavilions weie spread from the courtyard of the Private Audience Hall to the Prince's quarters, and a screened lane formed, and the Emperor with Zinat-un-nisa Begam visited the Prince and condoled with him After this, on Monday, the 20th July, 1691/ 4th Zil Q, the Prince was granted an interview ordered to perform the zuhar namāz in company of the Emperor and to come and perform the Friday prayer in the mosque of the palace (Bijapur), whenever the Emperor went to the Jam'a mosque to say his Friday prayer And similarly, the Prince sometimes came by command to the baths situated in the fort for washing and purifying his body, and sometimes in order to enjoy delights he visited the garden and tank of Shāhābād, founded by the Emperor In short, the veil was gradually removed

Khwāja Daulat Mahallı (eunuch) was ordered to bring the Prince's family from Delhi to the court Muhammad Mu'ızzuddin and Muhammad 'Azım each received the rank of 9-hazānı (2000 tr), Muhammad Raf'ıul-qadr that of 7-hazānı (1000 tr), and Muhammad Khujista Akhtar received a robe They made their bows for these favours in the Hall of Public Audience Hamiduddin Khan received an elephant and a robe On Monday, the 20th July, 1691, Bakhshi-ul-mulk Ruhullah Khan was sent towards Nasratabad Sakkhar, his followers being rewarded Tahawwar Khan, son of Salābat Khan, became sazāwal of the army of Kām Bakhsh, he was a 8-sadı (300 tr), and now received an increment of 100 (50 ti) Lutfullah Khan after dismissal, was reinstated Saf Shikan Khan brought to the Court the harem ladies and dependants of Muhammad Mu'azzam who had arrived from Delhi at Aurangabad News came that on Sunday, the 4th October/ 21st Muharram, 'Umdat-ul-mulk Asam Khan had interviewed Kām Bakhsh at Kadāpā, and that the two had reached Jinji, on Wednesday, the 16th December, 1691/5th Rabi S

On Friday, the 18th December/7th Rabi S, a mad pauper unsheathed a sword in the Jām'a mosque and ran towards the Emperor The bodyguard captured him He was made over to Salābat Khan On Thursday, the 24th

December/13th Rabi S, while the Emperor was riding out to hunt, Muhammad 'Azam and Bidar Bakht interviewed him, and accompanied him during the whole journey [345] and on the spot received their leave to set out for Nasriābād Sakkhar Bakhshi ul mulk Bahramand Khan who had come by command from Kām Bakhshi's army to the Court, had his interview on Thursday, the 31st December, 1691/20th Rabi S On Saturday, the 16th January, 1602/7th Jamad A, Zulfiqār Khan Bahādur was rewarded for the capture of fort Trinomali by being promoted to the rank of 4-hazāri (2 500 tr) On Tuesday, the 26th April, 1692/19th Shaban, Sultāns 'Azzuddin and 'Izzuddin, sons of Prince Mu'izzuddin, and Muhammad Karim and Farrukh Siyar sons of Muhammad 'Azim had audience receiving increase of their daily stipend favours, robes and jewels

On Tuesday the 3rd May/20th Shaban the Emperor started from Bijapur, and halted at Qutbābād for the second During his stay he used to visit the city for the purposes of offering his (daily) prayers, Friday prayers, and Id (prayers) Rashid Khan daftar-dar of khalsa was appointed to collect the money and ascertain the revenue of some Lhalsa (mahals) of Haidarabad The Emperor's favourite and pupil, 'Inayetullah mustaufi of anna and news writer of the Lachari of Khan i saman became the deputy of the Khan and got the title of Khan and an incre ment of 100 making him 800 [cor 600] (60 tr) Sardar Khan [346] an old and trusted household slave, died He was devoted to the Emperor's good and the service of the people inwardly and outwardly alike He loved fagirs His son Hamiduddin Khan who deserved the Emperor's favour for giving indications of fidelity, got the kotwalship and other posts vice his deceased father The Emperor visited the mosque which was being built close to the private Audience Hall for saying his five daily [cor] prayers and performing his constant devotional exercises and laid a few stones with his own hands in order to accumulate spiritual ment

CHAPTER XXXVI

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7th May, 1692—25th April, 1693

On Sunday, the 8th May/2nd Ramzan, Muhammad Mu'ızzuddın was sent to punish the enemy, spread near Āsa'dnagar (Ākluj), being given a robe with balaband and sarpech, twenty-one horses, an elephant, and an increase of a hazār zāt (same tr), making him a 10-hazān (3,000 tr) [347] Prince Raf'ı-ul-qadr got an increment of a hazān zāt, becoming a 8-hazān (cor 1,000 tr) Muhammad Khujista Akhtar received his first mansab, 7-hazān zāt Āmānat Khan became defender of Aurangabad vice M'amur Khan, who become faujdar of the country of Bir, the former was a 1½-hazāri (600 tr) and now received an increment of 300 troopers, the latter was a $1\frac{1}{2}$ hazārı (400 tr) and now received an addition of 400 tr Muhāmid Khan son of Sayyıd Murtaza Khan deceased, who had been previously known as Hāmid Khan,—became faujdar of Miwat and was made a 3-hazari (2,500 tr) by an increment of 500 tr 'Abdur Razzāq Khan Lāri, of Haidarabad, became faujdar of Konkan and the environs of Rāiri, receiving an increment of a hazār tioopers, making him a 4-hazāri zāt and 4-hazār tr, a horse, an elephant and kettledrums

MARRIAGE OF PRINCE MUHAMMAD 'AZIM

On Sunday, the 26th June 1692/21st Shawwal, Muhammad 'Azım [-ud-dın] was marrıed to the daughter of Ruhullah Khan, son of Khalılullah Khan. The bridegroom received a sarpech worth 17,000 rupees, a bāzuband worth 8,000 rupees, a horse with jewelled sāz, an elephant, and an increase of a hazār zāt making him a 10-hazāri (2-hazār tr.) Sayyıd Muhammad and Sayyıd Muhammad

J'afar Gujriti, successors at the tombs of Qutb ul 'Alam [348] and Shah 'Alam, came from Ahmadabad to interview the Limperor, and according to the fixed custom each received a robe an elephant and a certain pecuniary and when going back. On Tuesday, the 5th July 1692/1st 7il Q, the Emperor issued an order to Himmat Khan son of Khan Jahan Bahādur Zafar Jang Subahdār of Allahabad, to come to Court Buzurg Ummed Khan, son of Amir ul umāra, Subahdar of Bihar, succeeded him at Allahabad, and Muzaffar Khan, another son of Amir ul umāra became faujdar of the sarkar of Jaunpur vice him

Ruhullah Khan died In lineage he was like the Sun in acquirements foremost in all points, of all good manners he was the master and he set his heart on bestowing favours on the people. As he was the son of the Emperor's maternal aunt's son (cor) and was adorned with many noble qualities his departure grieved His Majesty. God pardon him! One of the signs of his being most probably pardoned was the fact that the Emperor visited him in his last moments and praved to God for pardon on his behalf. At the time of his death, he recited the verse.

With what pride is (thy) servant leaving the world [349]
That you have come to his (bed) head at the time of his giving up life!

Khānahzad Khan, his worth, and favourite son got an increment of 500 zāt (300 tr) making him a 2-hazari (1,000 tr), and became Qurbegi vice Mukhlis Khan Bahramand Khan became Mir Bakhshi vice the deceased and received an increment of 500 (same tr) making him a 4-hazari (2 000 tr) Mukhlis Khan succeeded him as second bakhshi, receiving an increment of 500 zāt which made him a 2½-hazāri (700 tr) Azizullah Khan brother of the deceased, became 1½-hazāri (600 tr) Khwāja 'Abdur Rahim Khan died Mir Husain Amānat Khan became bayutāt vice him Ināyetullah Khan became diwān i tān vice the last, receiving an increment of 100 (20 tr) making him a 7 sadi (80 tr) The diwānship of sarf i khās too was entrusted to him and he received a further promotion by twenty troopers Salabat Khan begged permission to go to Delhi on account of severe

illness, but died after passing a few stages. At this time he used frequently to recite (verse).

I have myself come and betaken myself to the corner of the sepulchre,

That my bones may not burden any body's shoulders

[350] He was honest and skilful in conducting business, and quick and expert in pleasing his master Muhammad Bad'ı of Balklı, after dismissal was reappointed 3-hazāri (700 tr) On Friday, the 22nd July, 1692/18th Zil Q, the Emperor ordered that Muhammad Mu'azzam should come to the Court-house (' $ad\bar{a}lat$ - $g\bar{a}h$) and have the honour of an interview and kissing the ground On Friday, the 2nd September/1st Muharram Khidmatgar Khan, nazir got an increment of 500 (150 tr), Muhammad Yar Khan that of 500, making him a 2-hazāii (400 tr) Kākar Khan, an officer of the army of Kām Bakhsh, was appointed thanadar of Jinji, and received an increment of 500 (300 tr) becoming a 1½-hazāri (700 tr) Mir Husain, mushrif of macebearers, was sent to Delhi to bring the servants (ladies) of the harem of Muhammad Mu'ızzuddın to Court Muhammad Jaimil, envoy of the ruler of Hadramaut, got leave to return, a robe, and 2,000 rupees. On Monday, the 24th October/23rd Safar Raf'ıulqadr and Khujista Ākhtai were ordered to come to the mosque for the zuhar prayer in company with their father Lutfullah Khan and Asalat Khan were sent to the thanah of As'adnagar Two thousand troopers who had been reduced from Raf'ı-ul-qadr's mansab were restored to him Khwāja Mubārak was appointed nāib of Khidmatgar Khan in the post of nazii of the establishment of Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam Raja Udwat Singh, zamındar of Urchha, serving in the army of Firuz Jang Khan was made faujdār of [351] Irij with an increment of 500 zāt (same tr), making him a 2-hazān (1,500 tr.) 'Abdul Hai, mushrif of farrāshkhānah, reported to the Emperor that according to his command the residence-tent of the Prince had been charmingly furnished The Emperor ordered Khidmatgar Khan and (other) servants to join the Prince's cortege and convey him to this mansion On Wednesday, the 30th November 1692/1st Rabi S, Kamāluddın Khan, faujdar of Hındaun-Bayana, was promoted by $500 \ z\bar{a}t$ (same tr) to the rank of 2-haz $\bar{a}ri$ ($1,000 \ \mathrm{tr}$) in neward for his having extirpated the rebels of that quarter

'Itiqad Khan son of the Amir ul umara deceased, became Subalidar of Agra and fauidar of its environs, receiving an increment of 200 tr which made him a 14 hazāri (1,200 tr) Zulfiqār Khan Bahādur was made a 4-hazārı (3 000 tr) Khudabanda Khan son of the late Amir ul umara, * became fauidar of Bahraich, he was a 9 sadi (400 tr) and now got a hundred more Abul Muhammad Khan Bijapuri, was a 3 hazārı (1,000 tr) and now got an increment of 500 troopers Mukhtar Khan a 3 hazārı (1,500 tr) was now given back the 500 zat (100 tr) which had been reduced from his mansab Hamiduddin Khan passed in review the elephants in a robust condition, 200 troopers were added to lus rank of hazāri (600 tr) On Thursday, the 12th January, 1693/15th Jamad S, Muhammad Azım was presented with sixty pieces of cloth, coats, sarpech jota half sleeves, and [352] balaband Anwar Khan darogha of khawases, son of Hakim Alimuddin entitled Wazir Khan in Shali Jahan's reign died leaving nothing on earth. On Wednesday, the 1st March/14th Rajab Multafat Khan darogha of abdar khanah, received the above post vice the deceased, and was promoted by a hundred zat (50 tr) to the rank of a hazari (150 tr) His office brought him close to the Emperor's person

Letters of spies informed the Emperor that owing to the scarcity of grain which prevented the army from standing firmly, Zulfigar Khan Bahadur had retired twelve kos abandoning the trenches at Jinji Some time before this, letters had been received stating that the enemy had crowded round Zulfiqar Khan at the siege of Jinji, that no provision was coming to him, and that if any reinforcement arrived, he would be relieved from distress. An urgent order was issued to Umdat ul mulk Asad Khan, who was staying at Nandiyal, to hasten to his son s aid delayed in going the Emperor wrote another farman with his own hand in open court, when I happened to be present and overheard the Emperor saying to Fazail Khan Mir Munshi ' Asad Khan represents himself as eager to see his Now that the latter is hard pressed he delays and neglects in hastening to him He might well say (verse)

> O Angel of Death! I am not heavy I am (only) an unfortunate old man' [358]

^{*} Shillsta Khan died in April 1694 (P 368)

"It is easy to make a boast but quite another matter to prove it true" As, before going to that side 'Umdat-ulmulk had openly said in his own circle, "The Emperor has not yet assigned any task to me If I were to be commissioned, he would see what a Turk can do" and this speech had been reported to the Emperor, His Majesty now addressed the aforesaid Fazāil Khan and Qābil Khan, the dārogha of the library, "His Turkship is over How runs the proverb" Both of them recited it, as they had heard it,

'Digar ba-khud manāz ke Turki tamām shud,
'Don't brag again, as your Turkship has ended,
(i e, your boast has failed)'

This verse was embodied in the farman

CHAPTER XXXVII

37TH YLAR OF THE REIGN

26th April, 1698-15th April, 1694

** * At the gracious arrival of the blessed month of Ramzan exhibitanting to the Muslims the bud of 'Id blossomed in the garden of fasting and the thorn and bramble of the oppression and injury done by the infidels were totally swept away from the flower bed of the age ***

A glazed pālk; was sent by the Emperor to Prince 'Āzam Shah, who was attacked by dropsy, [354] so that when journeying he might travel in care and safety. The Emperor ordered that excepting those who had been granted palkis by him, none of the Princes shāhzādas and āmirs should come in a palki within the gulālbār. After a time permission was given to Umdat il mulk Asad Khan and the intimate servant Multafat Khan to come [in their pālhis] so far. The agent of the Ram of Bidnur presented her letter and tribute, consisting of 300 hum.

THE SAD CONDUCT OF KAM BAKHSH

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'Umdat ul mulk after conquering the fort of Nandiyal in Kadāpā district, which is the frontier of Karnātak Haidarabadi had encamped The Prince was sent from the Court to capture fort Wagingera in company with Bakhshi ul mull Bahramand Khan [955] and engaged in the work When Bakhshi ul mulk Ruhullah Khan was appointed to this task the Prince by command turned to reinforce Umdat ul mulk When he arrived at Kadapa, an imperial order was received directing him and 'Umdat ul mulk to go to the aid of Zulfigar Khan Bahadur Nasrat Jang, who was besieging Jinji and who had been put to hard straits by the assembling of the enemy and the failure to get provisions The Prince in his pride of youth and under the influence of the evil counsels of flatterers and his disinclination to listen to the words of experienced and far seeing men travelled all the long way from beginning to end, stage by

stage on horseback, the journey including hunting and visiting (noted) places Bahramand Khan utilising his opportunities, pleased the Prince by his smoothness (of tongue) and gentleness, and left for the Court 'Umdat-ul-mulk, inspite of his great weakness and the infirmities of age, had to undergo trouble and hardship in observing proper etiquette, and travelled all the way on horseback in constant sadness But as the kernel of complaint turns into the grain of vexation in the soil of friendship, and the result of mutual opposition is calamity and disgrace, the ill-feeling between the partisans of the two chiefs grew stronger. The displeasure and bitterness on the two sides increased through the intervention of bad men When the army came near Jinji, Nasrat Jang Khan advanced to welcome the Prince, and had audience The Prince sat in the audience-hall [356] 'Umdat-ulmulk, Nasrat Jang, and Sarfaraz Khan got permission to sit down, Lashkar Khan, son of Sayyıd Khan Jahān of Bārha had expected equality of treatment with Nasrat Jang, but on being disappointed in that hope, left the audience-hall in anger, and never again went to interview the Prince The servants of the Prince alleged to Lashkar Khan that this incident was due to the machination of the father and the son, while these [two] generals made him believe that it was owing to the Prince's disfavour All the materials for ill-feeling and malignity were thus assembled, and these things increased the irritability and disturbance in the mind of the Prince Meantime, through the agency of some reckless fools, the Prince opened a secret correspondence with Rāmā [Rajaram] in the fort. The enemy were greatly encouraged by this occurrence and practised mischief-creating and deception and misled the Prince Nasrat Jang who watched every direction and paid one thousand rupees daily to his spies in the fort, learnt the truth about this secret affair, and the father and the son wrote to the Emperor about the state of affairs and were permitted, at their request, to station Rao Dalpat Bundela in constant attendance at the Prince's residence, and to forbid the Prince's riding, holding court, and the ingress and egress of strangers without the permission of 'Umdat-ul-mulk The quarrel became public The spies within the fort repeatedly sent news that the Prince in concert with his wicked servants [357] wanted to enter the fort on a dark night, by reason of his difference with 'Umdat-ul-mulk and Nasrat Jang The father and the son being shaken by their

fear of the king of men, held a consultation with the chiefs of the army and with the consent of them strengthened the chaul t (sentry) and strictness (in examining visitors) at the door of the Prince, and by common consent called in the thunhdars from around the fort. As soon as the army withdrew from around the fort, the enemy getting news of it came out in a strong body to fight and a battle raged on Unidat ul mulk was busy at the base-camp (bungah) in guarding the Prince Nasrat Jang was engaged in the trenches in planning to remove the large guns and other siege materials They could not help the thanalidars everyone who could come away safely by his own exertions did so, the rest were destroyed Isma il Khan Makha, a great commander who held the thanah in the rear of the fort stood up to fight, but the enemy were too many and he was wounded and carried off through the exertions and reinforcement of Santa A great confusion occurred Nasrat Jang hastened the work of withdrawal from the trenches the large guns were (mckh zadah) damaged by hammering nails into their touch holes and having arranged his men he carried off all the property to the camp At this time the enemy in great confidence joy, and vigour surrounded Nasrat Jang in a body of one lakh of horsemen and infantry The (Prince s) camp was two kos and the fort wall only a quarter kos from the place The audacity of the infidels was beyond measure and death faced the Muslims At this time the Khan Bahadur and all the other commanders had not with them more than [358] 2,000 troopers The Khan relying on God's help and keeping the Emperor in his remembrance joined the battle with a loud cry The heroes made brave charges a great give and take battle was fought About three thousand infantry of the enemy were slain by the Islamic ghazis, and three hundred cavalry too The Khan Bahadur on an elephant drove them back to the door of the fort the garrison shut the gate. In this conflict one thousand infantry of the enemy perished The imperialists gained the victory and the enemy took to flight The Muslims captured one thousand mares which the enemy had left behind when fleeing to the fort. About four hundred horses and four elephants of the victorious warriors were slain by cannonball and camburak fire And the same number of eager fighters from among the mansabdars of the retinue and other corps became martyrs Few were unwounded After such a great victor, the Khan Bahadur

arrived at the camp at the end of the day, and met 'Umdat-As they had learnt that the Prince and his advisers had formed the plan of imprisoning the father and the son when they would come to visit him, the two rode out and unceremoniously entered the Prince's house and in fidelity to their master, took their master's son [359] into their custody Next day the Khan Bahādur reassured and cheered all the members, great and small, of the army, and made them happy by the presentation of elephants, horses, robes and cash rewards He gained victories (several) times over the enemy As grain was exhausted and the troops had not the strength to stand up, he made some sort of truce with the enemy, marched away to the imperial dominions, and halted At this time orders were received from the Emperor commanding that the Prince should be sent to Court with Muharram Khan 'Umdat-ul-mulk set out for the Court The Khan Bahādur [Nasrat Jang] returned after four months, again laid siege to the fort, and pressed the garrison hard I shall narrate in its place the capture of the fort and the escape of Rāmā [Rajaram] and Santā

On Wednesday, the 14th June 1693/20th Shawwal, Kām Bakhsh arrived at the Court, and through the mediation of Zinatunnisā Begam had an interview with the Emperor in the harem. He presented one thousand mohars as nazai and the same number of rupees as msāi

An imperial order was issued that no āmir to whom a saipech of jewellery was granted should wear it except on Sunday, they should be content with it and should not make another (saipech) themselves and should not wrap their head [with any such unauthorised saipech] [360]

On Sunday, the 13th August, 1693/21st Zil H, Khan Jahān Bahādur Zafar Jang Kokaltāsh Khan, the dismissed nāzim of Lahore, had audience His son Himmat Khan Bahādur the dismissed Subahdār of Allahabad, prayed for an audience, but was ordered to convey the family of Muhammad Mu'izzuddin to him at Parnālā Hamiduddin Khan, who had gone to punish the enemy returned and had audience on Saturday the 7th October/16th Safar Formerly he had to stand outside the barrier (katra) railing, the Emperor now graciously gave him the honour of standing within it 'Ināyetullah Khan on the occasion of the death of his maternal uncle Mullā Muhammad Tāhir, received a shawl bālāband On Thursday, the 9th November,

1693/20th Rabi A, 'Umdat ul mulk Khan Jahān Bahadur informed the Emperor that Himmat Khan had had a three days fight with Santā, and had defeated the infidel after great evertions Raja Anup Singh became faujdār of Nasratabād Sakkhar, R'adāndāz Khan, qiladār of Imtiazgarh Adoni, Sardar Khan that of Muhammadābād Bidar, and M'amur Khan, faujdār of Bir and Shiwgāon, receiving promotions and rewards

ARRIVAL OF 'ALIJAH 'ĀZAM AT COURT

Prince 'Alijāh who had been summoned to Court on account of his illness, (arrived) with Muhammad [361] Bidar Bakht Bahadur and Shahzada Muhammad Walajah on the 22nd October/2nd Rabi A, and had audience he had not yet fully recovered the Emperor wished to be himself his physician and nurse (The Prince) resided in the tent which had been set up for his residence in the middle of the gulalbar close to the Hall of Private Audience, and in which a hall and two rooms had been built for sheltering him On Sunday the 5th November, 1693/16th Rabi A Muhammad Wālājāh became a 7 hazārı (2,000 tr.) and was given a standard and kettledrums Khan Zaman Fath jang, an officer of the Prince's army, had audience Hakım ul mulk and Fazaıl Khan Mir Hadı, Mir Munshi, who had been sent by the Emperor to the Prince for treating and soothing him respectively, returned with him and had audience The Emperor went once every day to see the Prince, and partook of the Prince's sick-diet with him and Zinat un nisa Begam And that was the only food which the two took till the Prince recovered Thank God, through the blessed efforts of the Emperor the Prince recovered from such a fatal illness Muhammad Sālim Āslam a servant of the Prince found the date of recovery in the verse

The Prince's medicine was only the Emperor's prayer [362]

The Emperor heard it and praised the poet

On Saturday, the 23rd December 1693/5th Jamad A the Prince (on recovery) came to the Private Audience Hall sat down before the Emperor and so gladdened him Hakim ul mulk who had shown marvellous skill in the treatment, was rewarded with promotion of a hazār zat

making him 4-hazārı Shāh 'Alı Jāh narrated the history of his own illness thus "Three years before this dropsy appeared, Hakım M'asum Khan used to say indirectly in my presence but plainly by messengers that he had observed the symptom of dropsy in me and was trying as far as possible to guard my health and check the disease, and that he would feel satisfied if I took medicine, followed a strict regimen, and abstained from the things that caused the disease I did not listen to the words of the deceased Two years after his death I reached the brink, when I was about to go towards Jinji, this disease appeared Although Hakim Muhammad Shaf'ı, Hakım Muhammad Razā, and Hakım Muhammad Amın Sāwjı, worked hard, the disease became severer, till it came to this that the girth of my sleeve was increased to 14 gira and yet I felt it as too tight. The girth of the cloth of my drawers (pāijāina) was one yard and six gira I abstained from whatever was fit to be given up Instead of water I drank essence of white succory and night-The doctors, as they were of good intention, used to say "the Prince does not abstain" [363] At night all gave up hopes of recovery and expected my skin to crack The Begam, Muhammad Bidar Bakht, Gaiti Ārā, Bakht-un-nisā, and some other inmates of my harem, who surrounded my couch, and I were half dosing and half awake, when a luminous man with beard and moustaches, yellow like wheat and barley, appeared at the foot of the bed facing me, and standing near he said, 'Up to this time no part of the disease has gone away Make sincere and unrelapsing penitence, and God will give you quick recovery ' I said, 'I shall repent in any form of words that you command, and God willing, shall not relapse into the sin' And so I repented at the direction of that internally and externally great being, and felt ease of body He vanished I informed the Begam and other people and gave them the glad news of my recovery That instant I felt inclination to pass water, passed two large ewer-fuls in one discharge, and felt the traces of lightness and relief Up to dawn this sort of urination occurred five times, and seven parts of my swelling disappeared. Men asked me, 'Could you recognise the great person who appeared at the bidding of the Great Healer?' I answered 'I do not know him or his name ' But on the second day, Shaikh 'Abdur Rahman Darvish wrote from Adoni forty kos from that place 'Today when three gharis of night remained, His Holiness the Commander of the Faithful 'Ali, the son of Abu Talib, said to me, To night I have given him dust, and begged his recovery of God, he will speedily recover Don't doubt at all' After my recovery, my servants, such as [864] Mustafa kāshi and others distributed their own household property with a certain amount of eash to faqirs and poor men Mir Zain ul 'Abidin gave away 12,000 rupees. After my bath of recovery Hedait Khan held feasts for a week and entertained (all) people at an expenditure of 15,000 rupees. The Begam sent 60,000 rupees as present to the blessed Najaf and the evalted Karbala. One lakh and twenty thousand rupees were sent to the poor of Mecca and Medina and other sacred places from (my) own purse. The Begams and Shāhzādas gave away some amount of gold to the poor. When Hakim ul mulk and Fazāil Khan arrived from the Emperor only a little swelling on the face and hands was left. The Hakim prescribed electuary of gold on taking it a [new] swelling appeared. He said There is no fear it will now totally disappear. Then I started for the Court. I gave 2 000 āshrafis to the Hakim with a robe and an elephant. Favours were conferred on Fazāil Khan too.

Munawwar Khan son of Fath Jang, (by an increment of 5 sadi) became a 3½ hazāri (2 000 tr.) 'Alı Mardān Khan Haidarabadı had been captured by the enemy, on being released he was made a 5 hazāri (same tr.) Umdat ul mulk, who had retired from Jinji, and by command stayed at Nisratābād Sakkhar arrived at Court on Monday, the 8th January, 1694/21st Jamad A, at the Emperor's invitation On account of the affair of Kām Bakhsh he had anticipated the severe anger of the Emperor. On the day of interview, when he arrived [365] at the place of making salām, Multafat Khan who was standing close to the throne by virtue of his office of darogha of the khawāses recited in a low tone—(verse) Forgiveness has a sweetness which venge ance lacks. The kind Emperor said. You have recited it at the right time. Looking kinddy at the chief of ministers he ordered him to kiss his toes and raised his head from the dust of distress. Sipahdār Khan son of Kokaltāsh Khan Zafar Jang who had become Subahdār of Allahabad vice Buzurg Ummed Khan deceased * got in addition the faujdāri of Jaunpur and the increment of 500 tr. to his

On p 369 he is said to have died on 12th May 1693

rank of 3-hazān (2,500 tr) and one kron dām as m'ām Khānahzād Khan, who had gone towards Garh-namunā to guard the way, arrived at Court on Thursday, the 8th February, 1694/22nd Jamad S Bidār Bakht was sent to chastise the enemy, receiving a daggei with a fish (māhi) handle and pearl 'ilāqa worth 10,000 rupees Khan Fath Jang, (his) sons and relatives, and others appointed to the Prince's army were rewarded with robes, promotion, jewels, horses, and elephants On Thursday, the 8th March/21st Rajab Muhammad Mu'izzuddin, giving up the siege of Parnālā, came to Court, he was granted an interview in company with his son 'Izzuddin in the private chamber Mukhtār Khan became Mir Ātish Nawāzish Khan Rumi became defender of chakla Morādābād.

A Sayyıd of Bārha, who was a mansabdār and officer of the imperial service and Āmānullah, a trusted servant of Shāh 'Alijāh, were friends [366] One day as they were going together to the same place, they had words, their friendship was broken up, and a quarrel followed Āmānullah fatally stabbed the Sayyıd with a cutlass (jamdhār) The other Sayyıds in a body went to the residence of Āmānullah, situated in the camp of the Prince, on whose side too, a large party appeared, a great tumult occurred The Emperor on being informed sent Mukhtār Khan Mir Ātish, to the place to try his best to bring about a reconciliation The Khan tried to carry out the command and put down the tumult, but the Sayyids could not be pacified He reported the matter The Emperor wrote on the sheet of the letter the Qurānic verse—

"If two parties of the faithful quarrel, reconcile them, and if either of them rebel against the other, you may fight against the party that has rebelled until it inclines to the commandment of God" That day passed Next day the Sayyids in a body sat down outside the Court of Justice The Emperor ordered them to go to the Qāzi-ul-quzāt, whose decision according to the Holy Law would be carried out These fools cried out, "We wo'nt go to the Qāzi We shall settle the matter with our enemies"

The Emperor became angry on hearing these words, he rolled up his sleeves and cried out, "A group of men who have often been beaten by me and felt my anger, dare give such a reply when asked to conform to the Holy Law! Let

^{*} Akhbarat shows that Mu'ızzuddın had audience on the 28th or 29th March so the 8th March was the date on which he started from Parnālā

as many of them as may be here, come on in a body " He ordered all the Sayyids serving in the khas chanks and the old retinue to be dismissed, and to be expelled from the tent in front of the door of the ghusalkhanah where they used to sit [967] No man durst now speak a word Saif Khan and Sayyad Khan and other chiefs of the Sayyads like them, took refuge in the houses of influential grandees and protested a thousand times 'We were not in it They remained under disfavour and removal from service for some time, and were then reinstated through petitioning and mediation They restrained their breath in their throats and sat down on the knees of good manners On one of these days some twenty of the servants of Mu izzuddin became rude to his diwan Fazl. Ali Khan and like ruffians acted so violently that every one who tried to reason with them met with abuse only When it was reported to the Emperor, he ordered Hamiduddin Khan to go and punish these men, as the recent affair of the Sayvids had disgusted his mind When the Khan went there they did not withdraw but rushed into the burning fire The capacity of moths is well known, if a thousand of them collect together, they cannot fill a closed fist. But when those few desperate men charged these thousand men, all of the latter were shaken and they fled away uncontrollably At this time the elephant of the Khan Bahadur frightened by the crowd and tumult, stampeded out of the field and ran for one kos towards the Badshahi ganj The Khan saw before him a large thatched house in which grain was heaped up. The instant the elephant came beside it, he coolly jumped down on it from his howda [368]. People pursued and brought back the elephant The Khan returned to the battle on another remount Ultimately the men were destroyed by the fire of their own kindling

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came that Āmır-ul-umārā Shāista Subahdar of Agra, had died The excellent qualities and praiseworthy virtues of this noble amir were such that the fame of his liberality and charity enveloped the sky His memorials are the many caravan-serais and bridges which he built at the cost of lakhs all over Hindustan Salih Khan, son of 'Azam Khan Kokah, got his father's first title Fidai Khan and leaving the faujdāri of Gwalior, became Subahdār [369] of Agra vice the deceased Bakhshi-ul-mulk Bahramand Khan, a 4-hazāni (2,500 tr) got an increment of a hazār, on Tuesday, the 31st July/1694/18th Zil H, Zulfiqar Khan Bahadur a 4-hazarı (3,000 ti) got an ıncrement of a hazārı zāt Bakhshı-ul-mulk Mukhlıs Khan a $2,500 \ z\bar{a}t \ (600 \ \mathrm{tr})$ got a promotion of $500 \ (100 \ \mathrm{tr})$ By an increment of 500 Fazil Khan Khan-i-saman was made a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -hazārı (500 tr.) On Sunday the 7th October/27th Shabān, Ism'aıl Khan Makhā came to Court on being released by the enemy, and was made guard of the road from Indi up to Murtazābād, receiving an addition of a hazār to his rank of 5-hazāri (same tr) Khānahzād Khan became dārogha of the servants of the khās chauki 'Askar Khan' Haidarābādi was made Subahdār of Oudh Raja Bhim Singh 5-hazāri, died 'Itiqād Khan and Ābul Mu'āla, sons of the Āmir-ul-umārā, and Murlidhar, diwān of the same deceased, reached the Court on Friday, the 14th December, 1694/7th Jamad A, and got mourning robes Ikhlāskesh, after transacting certain business for which he had been sent by the Emperor to Ujjain, returned to Court On Tuesday, the 12th February, 1695/8th Rajab, Buzurg Ummed Khan, Subahdar of Bihar, died His brothers 'Itiqad Khan and Ābul Mu'āla, received mourning robes Fidāi Khan became

^{* &#}x27;Askar Khan, evidently Muhammad Ali Beg of Golkonda service, created 'Askar 'Ali Khan by Aurangzeb Often mentioned in the Fort St George Diary of 1688-90,

Subahdār of Bihār vice Buzurg Ummed, being [370] succeeded at Agra by Mukhtār Khan, who was succeeded as Mir Atish by Khānahzād Khan, who received an addition of 500 to his rank of 2½-hazar. The Emperor ordered the high bakhshis to enter in the records the mansab of Muhammad Mu azzam as 40 hazāri (same tr)

Orders were issued at Court and in the provinces that no Hindii except Rajputs should bear arms, or ride elephants, pālkis or Arab and 'Iraqi horses On Monday the 1st April, 1695/26th Shaban the Emperor marched from Qutbābād and on the 3rd April/28th Shaban arrived at Bijapur for the fifth time His camp was set up near Nauraspur and Afzalpur

CHAPTER XXXIX

39TH YEAR OF THE REIGN. 1106 A H.

5th April, 1695-24th March, 1696

The Emperor passed the month of Ramzan here, as Brahmapuri was not fit for his residence (as yet) One day Khan Jahān Bahādur Zafai Jang presented to the Emperor a small circular China ewer in the Court house ('adālatgāh), [371] saying that it was the cup of Moses. The Emperor glancing at it, gave it to Princes Muhammad Mu'izzuddin and Muhammad 'Azim On its neck were inscribed two lines of drawings resembling writing. The Shāhzādas said, "Then this writing must be Hebrew." The Khan Bahādur looking at the characters said, "I don't know Hebrew or Mebrew. The man who sold it gave this information." The Emperor said "These are letters, and the workmanship is not bad." Many wonderful and fantastic anecdotes are current among the people about this merry and virtuous Khan. But as the above incident happened in my presence, I write it as his memorial.

The Emperor ordered Nāzīr Khidmatgāi Khan with Khwāja Manzur to take a special robe to Muhammad Mu'azzam's house, and bring him to the prayer-room to make his bow for it. He then came with the Emperor to the diwān-i-'adālat, offered two-fold prayers and was permitted to kiss the feet. The Emperor kissed his forehead. After being presented with a diamond sanpech worth one lakh of rupees, a sword, two horses with enamel and gold sāz, and an elephant with silver sāz and talān, he was sent back to his mansion. Khudābanda Khan son of Āmir-ul-umārā, after his father's death came to Court from the faujdāri of Bahrāich, and got a mourning robe. Hamiduddin Khan on receiving an increment of 100 tr. became a 1½-hazān (500 tr.)

As the [372] eldest son of the Emperor always sat on His Majesty's right hand and during Shah 'Alam's 'retreat' (disgrace), Shah Alijah had been given that honour, the eldest prince asked the Emperor, "What

is your Majesty's order about my right on the day of 'Id?" He replied, "Go to the Idgah before my cortege and you will sit on my right side" He did so When the cortege reached the steps, Mu'azzam advanced, interviewed, and kissed the feet of the Emperor, who, after shaking hands with him took his left hand in his own right hand and went to the mosque, and so it happened that the eldest son sat on the right touching the Emperor Shah Alijah who came behind and had a special sword in his hand deposited it be fore the Emperor, and touched the arm of his brother wish ing him to make room for him and let him sit down on the right side of the Emperor His Majesty's glance fell on that side with his right hand he grasped the skirt of 'Alijah and brought him to the left side Who else had the andacity to advance or hang back? After the prayers had been said and the khatib had ascended the pulpit (mimbar), as soon as the Emperor's name was uttered (by the Khatib). His Majesty rose up holding the hand of Alijah, and made a sign to the eldest Prince to depart Shah Alam went out with his sons by the third door and the Emperor by the second

Zakıat un nısā and Safiyyat un nısā daughters of Muhammad Akbar who had come to Court by command were ordered to be married to Raf 1 ul-gadr and Muhammad Khuustah Alhtar On Thursday, the 9th May 1695/5th Shawwal Prince Muhammad Mu azzam [373] came to the prayer room and made his bow for the robe of farewell to [act as Subahdar of] Agra, which had been sent to his mansion with Khwaja Manzur He then went with His Majesty to the diwan i adalat, and kissed his feet, the Emperor kissing his forehead and dismissing him after reciting the fatiha Of his sons Muhammad Raf'i ul-qadr and Khuustah Alhtar were sent with him and Muhammad Mu'izzuddin and Muhammad Azim were left with the Emperor (they) were ordered to accompany the Prince to his camp (daira)

THE EMPEROR S MARCH FROM BIJAPUR TO BRAHMAPURI RENAMED ISLAMPURI

On Saturday the 11th May/7th Shawwal the imperial army moved from Nauraspur and Afzalpur, and reached Brahmapurı on the bank of the Bhimā on Tuesday the 21st/ 17th Shawwal By order, all the Emperor s sons, shah

zādas, and nobles made their "bow of blessing", on the occasion of arrival here On the way to his mansion the Emperor passed by the tent of Shāh 'Alıjāh, the circuit of the dana appeared to him to be too large. The surveyor was ordered to measure the area, and restrict it to the area of Aurangzib's own dāira before his accession A son was born to Muhammad 'Azım and the daughter of Ruhullah Khan [374], the father presented 500 mohars as nazar, the son was named Ruh-ul-quds On Friday, the 23rd August/ 22nd Muharram a son was born to Bidar Bakht and Mukhtar Khan's daughter Shāh 'Alıjāh made his bow at Court and presented 500 mohars, the newly-born child was named Firuz Bakht On Sunday, the 22nd September/22nd Safar, Muhammad Mu'ızzuddın and 'Azım, when getting leave to go to Agra, went to visit Shāh 'Alijāh and each received a robe with bālāband, half-sleeves, turban-end and necklace of pearls, and an elephant Khudābanda Khan was married to 'Umdat-ul-mulk's daughter, and got a robe Zulfiqār Khan Bahādur was promoted to a 5-hazārı (4,000 tr), Bakhshiul-mulk Bahramand Khan a 5-hazārı (3,000 tr.), Bakhshiul-mulk Mukhlis Khan a 3-hazāri (1,000 tr) and Hamidud-din Khan a 2-hazāri

A SHORT ACCOUNT OF THE DISASTER THAT BEFELL KHĀNAHZĀD KHAN AND QĀSIM KHAN BAHĀDUR

When the Emperor learnt that Santā after robbing the imperial dominions was hastening with heavy loads to his own country, [375] and would pass within eighteen kos of the imperial camp, he ordered Qasim Khan, an active and able officer who was commander of the country of Serā and had arrived near Serā, to go with his army to the path of the enemy and to punish him severely in company with Khānahzād Khan, Saf Shikan Khan, Sayyıd Asalat Khan, Muhammad Murad Khan and others who had been sent by the Emperor with forces composed of the mansabdars of the khās chauki, the khās retinue and a large party from the 7-chaukı and artıllery

On Sunday, the 19th January/23rd Jamad S, the two

^{*}The date given here is wrong by two months Akhbarat 3972 shows that—Qāsim Khan had been killed more than a month before 19th January 1696, and that 19th January, 1696 was the date on which mace-bearers sent to succour Khānhzād after the disaster and urge Hamiduddin on, returned to the Emperor's side Fort St George Diary, 5th December, 1695 records "A credible report that a Marafha army of about 15,000 men are coming into these parts and have already defeated Qāsim Khan Nawāb of Sirā"

forces united six los from the track of the enemy Qasım Khan's household property was at Adoni and he wished to entertain khwaja Khanalizad Khan and others to his heart's content, he brought out of the fort shows articles, like Karnātaki tents not yet used, gold, silver, copper and china vessels of all kinds, and sent them the next day with his own advance tents and those of other amirs to a distance of three Los (in advance) The enemy learning of the arrival of the advance tents, divided his army into three bodies, of which one went to plunder the camp, the second to encounter the army, and the third was kept ready (in reserve) At four ghans after dawn the first body fell upon the advance tents, slew and wounded many, and carried off everything All of a sudden the news reached Qasım Khan, who without rousing Khanahzad Khan from his sleep, hastened to the battle [376] Before he had gone one kos the second body of the enemy told off for the battle appeared and began to fight Khanahzad Khan, on waking heard of it and leaving the baggage camp, porters burdens, and tents there, advanced quickly. As the enemy had a numberless force of 'black infantry' musketeers and a very large body of cavalry too, a great battle was fought and many were slain on both sides In spite of the firmness of the imperial generals and men, and the loss of the enemy, the latter did not yield one foot of ground or show the least shaking At this time the third or reserve division of the enemy fell upon the camp and baggage left behind and plundered everything When this news reached Khanahzad Khan and Oasim Khan in the very heat of the battle, their firmness was shaken, they held a consultation and resolved to go to the place where the advance tents had been sent where there was a small fort (qulacha) named Dodders and a tank before it Fighting for a kos they arrived at the tank in the evening The enemy now left this party at peace, and formed their dairs on one side The imperial men who were in the small fort shut the gates upon them The two Khans shared the food they had brought with the others and the common soldiers had nothing to eat except the water of the tank, not to speak of grass and gram for the horses and elephants As the night closed, the enemy surrounded [377] the imperialists who stood ready to fight But for three days the enemy only appeared in view without fighting till some thousand infantry from the zamindar of Chitaldurg who had been humiliated by Qasim Khan

came out to fight on getting an opportunity On the fourth day, before it was dawn, ten times the former number of (black) infantry darkened the plain and began to fight the artillery ammunitions had been plundered, and what had been brought with the soldiers had been exhausted, the troops sat down in helplessness, after running about and groaning and sighing for some hours. As the enemy continued to hail musketballs, many men were destroyed here The survivors, seeing the path of egress closed to them, forced their way into the small fort Trustworthy reporters who were present at the catastrophe and fought boldly said, "One-third of our soldiers were slain by the infidels in the two advance-tents (pesh-khānahs), on the way, and on the bank of the tank The enemy besieged the fort on all sides and felt sure that the garrison would die of hunger. On the day of entering the fort, all the soldiers, high and low, were given bread of jawāi and bājia out of the provisions of the place, and the straw of old and new thatches to the cattle On the second day neither was bread left for men nor barley for the horses. In this irremediable distress, if life departs let it depart, Qāsim Khan was an inveterate opium-eater, his life depended on it, the lack of opium [378] became the cause of his death. He died on the third day, and thus escaped the enemy, who became bolder on hearing the news The garrison were correspondingly Though the enthusiasts said, "How long should we bear hunger and die in this miserable way? Let us once fling ourselves on the infidels, and gain either martyrdom or victory In either case, we shall escape from distress and gain merit," the chiefs did not assent to it And while many died of hunger and the horses chewed each other's tails mistaking them for straw, the enemy overthrew one tower and raised tumult on all sides Khānahzād Khan begged for safety, and a truce was made on condition that he would surrender to Santā the cash, articles, jewels, horses, and elephants of Qasım Khan, besides twenty lakhs of rupees, and that the son of Balkishan, his trusted munshi and chief officer of his household, would be hostage. It was agreed Santā sent word that the men might come out of the fort without any misgiving and stay two nights in front of the gate, those who had anything need fear no molestation, they might buy from his soldiers what they needed The imperial soldiers left the fort after three days From one side the enemy gave them bread and from the other water

stayed two nights at the gate of the fort. On the third day, Khānahzād Khan started for the Court with an escort of the enemy. Hannduddin Khan Bahādur who had been sent from the Court and Rustamdil Khan from Haidarabad to and the besieged, united near Ādoni [379] They gave neces sary help to the defeated nobles in the form of tents dress and crail. R adāndāz Khan, qiladār, exerted himself in helping beyond his means, and articles more than they needed were collected from the houses of all (the citizens) and from all sides. The enemy, who after gaining such booty had started for their homes, wished to fight Himmat Khan Bahādur, who on account of the smallness of his force, was staying at Basvāpatan inspite of his having received an order to punish the enemy

DEATH OF HIMMAT KHAN

The Khan Bahadur who had not more than a thousand soldiers with him, reached the enemy and seemed likely to defent them, when suddenly a musket shot struck his breast and he died instantly The elephant-driver wanted to turn back, but Bāqi Beg, commander of the Khan's con tingent arrived there and told him, "The Khan is alive drive the elephant forward I shall drive away the enemy" He encountered the enemy and stood his ground well how long can a headless (army) make a stand? There was a small fort at hand and he entered it. The enemy plundered his baggage and besieged the fort for some days finding it fruitless they withdrew Baqi Beg seized the opportunity and came to Court. The Emperor ordered Khānahzad Khan to go to Zafarābad (Bidar) as Subahdar Saf Shikan Khan to Dhamuni as faujdar Sayyid Asalat Khan to Ranthambor as qıladar and Muhammad Murad Khan to Dohad and Godra as faujdar The other soldiers joined the imperial camp [380] The Emperor gave to Khan Jahan Bahādur and other sons of the deceased General mourning robes for the death of Himmat Khan and con soled them with his gracious words With his own hands he presented to that high grandee (Khan Jahān) some khar dali and said 'For a long time I have been eating these ınstead of betel leaf Baqı Beg got a mansab of b sadı Lutfullah Khan became akhta begi vice Saf Shikan Khan and dārogha of khas-chaukı vice Khānahzād Khan while Ikhlas kesh amın of jazia for the province of Bidar became

āmın and faujdār of the parganah of Indur vice Muhammad Kāzim He was a 4-sadı (50 tr) and now got 100 tr more. Shāh 'Alijāh went towards Bahādurgarh, receiving a robe with half-sleeves, a balaband, and a muttaka of emerald with a ruby set in it Prince Wālājāh got a 10be and arsi, and Jahānzeb Bānu Begam a neck-pendant of ruby Multafat Khan dārogha of khawāses, was promoted to be a $1\frac{1}{2}$ -hazāri (200 tr)

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[381] On Wednesday, the 25th March/1st Ramzan he started from Islämpur for Sholapur, in order to observe the fast, say the Friday privers, attend constantly at the

mosque, and perform the prayer of I'd

Sultan Muhi us sunnat, son of Prince Muhammad Kam Baklish, had interview a daily allowance was assigned to Sher afkan Khan son of Shahwardi Khan became faujdar of Narwar and was promoted to be 1 14 hazarı (1,700 tr) Arslan khan a hazarı got an increment of 500 Tarbi yat Khan getting an increment of 200 tr , became a 2 hazari (1,200 tr) Sayyid Azmatullah Khan by receiving an incre ment of 500, became a 2 hazarı (900 tr) Bakhshı ul mulk Mukhlis Khan presented to the Emperor a poetical work (diwan) of Saib in Saib's own handwriting contain ing one lakh of couplets. As most of his are considered the choicest in the world and as they with moral advice and spiritual improvement deal the Emperor accepted it And for a long time the following ghazal was recited in the Emperor's Court, and men of wit used to imitate it, [omitted] [382] Tarbivat Khan, who had gone to numish the enemy towards the hill of Mahadeo, had audience on return and got a robe 'Itiqad Khan son of Amir ul umārā deceased became faujdār of Islāmābād vice Raja Bishan Singh On Monday, the 2nd August, 1696/13th Muharram promotion of a hazar troopers was awarded to each of Raf'ı ul-qadr and Khujistah Akhtar Ramchand, thanahdar of Khatav was promoted to be a 2-hazārı (1 500 tr do āspā), Dhundi Rao, brought by Tarbiyat Khan got the mansab of 14 hazari and the thana darı of the hill of Mahadeo Raja Kalıan Singh, zamındar of Bhadawar, who had come to court was given leave to depart He was a 7 sadi (400 tr) and now got an increment of 200 zat (same tr), Khudabanda Khan became first mir bakhshi of the ahadis vice Murid Khan The Emperor learnt

that Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam had on Friday, the 2nd July/22nd Zil H., started for Multan, by order of the Emperor [383] Irādat Khan II named Mubarākullah, son of Iradat Khan I, son of 'Azam Khan became faujdar of the environs of Aurangabad and was promoted to be a 7-sadi (1,000 tr) Hamiduddin Khan who had gone to punish Santa and to raise the siege of Garli Doddeii reached Court and received praise and the title of Bahadur. At his request Rustamdil Khan and other subordinates received proper promotions Shujā'et Khan Muhammad Beg, nāzīm of Ahmadābād, became a 4-hazān (same tr). The Emperor learnt that 'Aqıl Khan Subahdai of Dellii, had died. He was endowed with asceticism, freedom of spirit, independence (of worldly possessions), and control of mind. He served with vigilance and treated his peers with haughtiness Mahābat Khan Ibrāhim, who was made Subahdār of Lahore, applied to the Emperor for permission to view the fort and palace-buildings of Delhi. A 'by order' granting the prayer was written to the Khan ('Aqil Khan). He wrote to the Emperor in reply, "I shall not invite him (to the fort) for certain objections First, he is a Haidai ābādi and not a man of such position that he should be allowed to view an imperial palace for his diversion. Secondly, the doors of all the rooms have been closed, lest (the things within) should be handled, the chambers are without carpets, and the sightseer is not such (an important person) that for his sake the palace should be cleaned and spread with carpets [384] Then, again, at interview he will not behave in the manner Therefore there are preponderating leasons for not admitting him " When he airived at Delhi and sent a message about this desire, 'Aqil Khan did not invite him, but gave a sharp and rough reply, and he had to leave for The Emperor shut his eyes to the Khan's lus destination selfwill and haughtiness on account of his long service, honesty, and devotion, and entrusted the discharge of important tasks to him. He was not without external accomplishments Razi was his pen-name, and he has left a poetical work and masnavis behind. He considered himself peerless in solving the difficult minute points of the masnavi of Maulānā Rumi He was liberal and charitable by nature

Muhammad Yār Khan, who after going from the Court to Delhi, was without employment, became Subahdār of Delhi vice the deceased He was a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -hazāri (1,500 tr.) and now got an increment of 5-sadi (same tr.) Sadruddin Khan

a 14 hazāzi got 500 zāt more, besides a position of lionour Ekĥataz Khan, son of Ekhātāz Khan became faujdār of Almadībād [corr Jahānābād] Korah, a dependency of the province of Allahabad, vice 'Abdus Samad Khan Tahawwar Khin, son of Salabat Khan, went to Sahāraupur as faujdār Chhatra Sal, an officer of the force of Lutfullah Khan, be came a qiladar and frujdār of Nasratābād Sakkhar, vice Sarfārāz Khan Khan i 'Alam son of Khan Zaman Fath Jang, a 6 hazār (4,000 tr) got an increment of a hazār tr Munawwar Khan, his brother a 4 hazār (2,000 tr), got 500 tr more Fathulla Khan a 2 hazār (500 tr) got an increment of 200 tr Khānahzād Khan, who had been appointed [385] Subahdār of Zafarābād had audience

CHAPTER XLI.

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14th March 1697—2nd March 1698

The Emperor went from Islämpuri to Sholapur to perform the religious duties of Ramzan. After performing the two-fold prayers of 'Id-ul-fitr (13th April) he returned to Islāmpuri Prince Muhammad Kām Bakhsh, 'Umdat-ulmulk and others, great and small, who were in the base camp (bungāh), had audience and presented peshkash Bakhshi-ul-mulk Mukhlis Khan, had a son born to him, for which he presented nazar to the Emperor, who named the child Muhammad Hasan, 'Abdur Rahim, son of Fazil Khan Khān-1-sāmān, came to the Court from Delhi. his father presented some beautifully-woven pieces of China cloth (khatāi) and was praised Kifāyet Khan Mir Ahmad, the dismissed diwan of Bengal, became peshdast of the Khālsa office vice Rashid Khan deceased Hedāyetullah, son of 'Ināyetullah Khan, peshdast of the diwān-1-tan, became mır-i-saman of Zınat-un-nısa Begam vice his father Subhanwardı, son of Yalangtosh Khan [386] Bahādur offered presents on the birth of a son, the child was named Rahmanwardi Fāzıl Khan resigned the post of Khān-1-sāmān, and became Subahdar of Kashmir vice Abu Nasar Khan Khānahzād Khan got the post of Khān-i-sāmān with the title of Ruhullah Khan Abu Nasar Khan became Subahdar of Lahore vice Mukarram Khan who was summoned to Court Khudābanda Khan became bayutāt of the Emperor Sarup Singh, son of Raja Anup (cor) Singh, was sent to his father He was a 7-sadi (500 tr) and now got 300 more Matlab Khan and (co1) Wajihuddin Khan were sent towards Indapur to punish the enemy Chin Qalich Khan Bahādur son of Khan Firuz Jang, being displeased with his father, came to Court. On coming near the imperial camp, he was granted an interview after a month's waiting Ikhläskesh became peshdast of Ruhullah Khan, Khān-1-sāmān. Bidār Bakht Bahādur was ordered to go to Shāh 'Ālıjāh at Bahādurgarh, receiving a robe

and an 'Iraqı horse with gold saz Matlab Khan, a hazarı (400 tr), got an increment of 500 (100 tr) Ihtamam Khan, by name Alah Yar, became akhta begi vice Lutfullah Khan Tahawwar Khan, son of Salabat Khan, [387] came to Court, on being removed from the fauldari of Saharanpur, and got the post of darogha of qurkhanah Prince Muham mad 'Azım (Shālızāda) became Subahdār of Bengal and faujdar of Kuch Bihar, vice Ibrahim Khan who became Subahdar of Allahabad vice Sipahdar Khan, and whose son Zabardast (cor) Khan became taujdar of Jaunpur Accord ing to the Emperor's custom every year, rain robes were presented to the princes, the Sultans, the high amirs and high and low among the officers at Court and the provinces Mu ataqad Khan, grandson of Lashkar Khan Shahjaham was appointed defender of the Subah of Burhanpur vice 'Inayet Khan son of S'adullah Khan deceased Zulfigar Beg, son of Darab Beg macebearer, showed the fruits of good training he was promoted from the mushrifi of the stables to that of the diwan i Khas Multafat Khan and Inavetullah Khan were given rings set with ruby stones Ism ail Khan Makha was appointed faujdar of Islamgarh alias Rāiri vice 'Abdur Razzāq Khan Lāri, who became faujdar of Adıl Khanı Konkan

FLOOD OF THE BHILLA

One of the marvellous occurrences of this mirage like deceptive world, which is a testing ground (for true manhood) was the raging up in billows, of the waterless calamity breed ing ocean and the whirling of the fire showering circle (the heavens) in a tempest of clouds. It took the form of the out break of a second Noah's flood, on the morning of Monday, the 19th July, 1697/10th Muharram in the river Bhima Owing to heavy rains at a distance, [388] a terrible flood swept down, the very sight of which robbed people of their lives none had the courage to look at it. Every moment the current, violence and wildness increased

At a distance of thirty kos from Bahadurgarh was the camp of Shah Alijah the stores of fodder and fuel (panthi wood) which the merchants had collected came down the river without being scattered. Many of the villages were

totally destroyed by the force of the flood. The men and cattle seated on thatches were carried helplessly down, by the swift flowing water. Natural enemies like cats and mice, dogs and hares, looking at each other trembled for their own lives and drifted down peacefully together. After the water had extended and covered the plain, the misls of 'Umdat-ulmulk Asad Khan, Mukhlis Khan and others—many of (these) rich men having built charming houses on the bank of the river at great expense—were destroyed by the flood. The rich men got into boats and reached the bank of safety after being tossed about. Others lost both life and property in the river.

[389] The hillock on which stood the mansion of Wālā Shukoh, the tents of Shah 'Ālijālī, of Kām Bakhsh and other great and poor men, was forty yards high, more or less. In three days only four yards of it remained above water. Through God's grace, the water began to subside, in the middle of the third night, and the people were released from the captivity of water.

As the illness of Khan Jahān Bahādur Zafar Jang grew severer, the Emperor while returning from Sholāpur visited him at his house on Saturday, the 20th November, 1697/ 16th Jamad A The Khan was confined to his bed and could not rise, the Emperor sat on the masnad, and the Khan continued to lament that he could not kiss the imperial feet He said, "I had wished to die in battle and thus be of service to Your Majesty" The Emperor replied, [390] "You have been devoting yourself to my service all through your life, and yet your desire for it is not satisfied!" Behold a servant's devotion and a master's favour! On Tuesday, the 23rd November, 1697/19th Jamad A., the Khan died was a grand amir, full of piety and virtues, and a great com-His assembly (muhafil) was of great splendour, in which few persons spoke except he alone, he himself said what he desired, others had nothing to say except "Yes, it is so!" He did not like much talk. In his assemblies, the topics of conversation were mostly verse, prose, sword, jewel, horse, elephant, and aphrodisiacs He did so many well-executed tasks and acts of bravery that even a few of them can not be recorded here.

On Friday, the 24th December, 1697/20th Jamad. S, Kām Bakhsh was made Subahdār of Berār He was a 20-hazārı (7,000 tr), and now got 3,000 tr more. Mırak

Husain, his diwan, went as his deputy As 'Umdat ul mulk's illness made it difficult for him to sign his name, the Emperor in order to expedite business ordered 'Inayet ullah Khan to sign 'Umdat ul mulk Asad Khan placed before His Majesty Zulfiqar Khan Bahadur Nasrat Jang s despatch, announcing that the Islamic heroes, with God's help, [391] had captured Jung which was situated on a high hill and enjoyed the greatest fame and pre-eminence among the forts and strong places of Karnatak in respect of height and abundance of materials of war and defence, and that he had slain large numbers of the infidels, and that the wretch Rāma [Rajaram] who had taken refuge in this stronghold, being frightened at seeing the valour and hearing of the assault of the ever victorious army, had fled away from the fort, leaving his family, property and things behind On Monday, the 7th February, 1698/16th Shaban, this strong fortress, consisting of seven forts, was forcibly captured and annexed to the Empire Four wives, three sons and two daughters of the luckless infidel, his dependants, friends and assistants were made prisoners. And the hun dred other forts which make up the kingdom of Karnatak with some ports of the Europeans were annexed to the empire The powerful and rich zamindars (of the country) submitted and sent suitable tributes to the Emperor through the Khan Bahadur Umdat ul mulk in reward for the excellent work, [392] got an increment of a hazār tr making him a 7 hazari (same tr) Nasrat Jang by an increment of a hazār tr became a 5 hazārı (same tr), Rao Dalpat an officer of Nasrat Jang, who had endured great labour and hardship in this war, was a 24 hazari (1 300 tr) and got an incre ment of 5 sad (200 tr) The conquered fort was named Nasrat garh 'Itiqad Khan who was appointed Subahdar of Agra, vice Mukhtar Khan, had his 500 conditional tr made unconditional and was given Lettledrums Khan died of pestilence His son got his title, and with his other relatives received mourning robes and promotions The post of darogha of the diwan i khas, vacated by his death was given to Ruhullah Khan as an addition to his own post of Khān 1 samān Qāzı 'Abdullah became Sadr

CHAPTER XLII

42nd year of the reign 1109 a H

3rd March, 1698—20th February, 1699

As in the last year, this year too, the Emperor went to Sholapur to pass the month of Ramzan in religious observances On the 2nd April occurred the 'Id-ul-fitr zāda Bidār Bakht Bahādur who had been summoned from Bahādurgarh to Court, halted at Deogāon Bakhshı-ulmulk Bahramand Khan and Mansur Khan, Mir Tuzuk, advanced to welcome him and conducted him to the Emperor Before coming to the Audience Hall, the interview took place in the mosque He was sent towards Parnālā and presented with a robe with sarpech of ruby and emerald, a jewelled punchhi, a horse, and an elephant The officers of his force all got suitable favours Bhāgu Banjārah, who on his first coming to the Emperor had got the rank of a 5-hazārı (4,000 tr) and had afterwards joined the enemy, again came over to the Emperor and was restored to his former rank, and given a robe, a horse, and an elephant (Verse) -

This my court is not a court of despair, Even if you have broken your repentence hundred times, come (unto me) again

Qāzi 'Abdullah died of (lateral) paralysis Muhammad Ākram, one of the hereditary muftis of Delhi, who had been serving as qāzi of Aurangābād was summoned to court to act as qāzi of the imperial camp 'Ināyetullah Khan was ordered that, as the department of the Sadr was a part of the department of the diwān, he should discharge the former work as deputy, till the appointment of another Sadr He was a 9-sadi (70 tr), and now got a sadi (30 tr) more The Emperor sent with Nur-ul-Haq a gracious faimān, eagerly inviting his brother Shaikh-ul-Islām [394] to come to the Court, as he had not come once to the Court after his resignation of the qāziship and return from the Holy Land, but

was staying at Ahmadābad The Emperor's desire was to appoint him Sadr, if he consented after reaching Court The holy man was planning to go to the Court, when a severe illness overtook him and he hastened to the world for which he had been feeling a great desire. The Emperor sent orders to Muhammad Amin Khan, to hasten to the Court from the army of Firuz Jang Khan, in order to take up this post (of Sadr). Arshad Khan Abul 'Ala son in law of Amānat Khan had reached court after service in Kabul, and was now appointed diwān of Khalsa wice Kifāyet Khan deceased

News came to the Court that Amir Khan Subahdar of kabul had died on Thursday, the 28th April, 1698/27th Shawwal He was a perfectly beneficent amir of high dignity, one of the chief seriants of the Crown and a loyal expert officer. Among his great feats was the regulation and cettlement of the disordered administration of the province of Kabul. The Emperor greatly trusted him. As he was the son of the Emperor s maternal aunt and had done excellent services and had thus displayed his greatness of character in the period of prince ship, His Majesty was very sorry for his death. He sent an order to Mu'azzam to start for taking charge of Kabul, with [895] a sarpech worth 50,000 rupees.

On Friday, the 20th May 1698/20th Zil Q, Durgā das Rathor, through the intercession of Shuja et Khin Subahdar of Ahmadabad brought to Court as the instru ment of his pardon, Buland Akhtar, son of Muhammad Albar, who was born during that Prince's wanderings in the land of the Rathors, left there on his flight from the country, and brought up by the Rajputs with a view to causing tumult and confusion At his interview Durgadas came with his wrists tied together The Emperor ordered lum to be unbound, and gave him a robe a jewelled dagger and the rank of 3 hazari (2,500 tr) Buland Akhtar had audience in the private-chamber and got a robe and a sarpech his residence (dāira) was placed within the gulal bār Abul Fath Khan, son of Khan Jahān (Bahadur) deceased, got a robe and a horse and permission to go to Dellu, in order to be married there Neknam Khan, son of Himmat Khan and grandson of Islam Khan became bakhslu and news writer of the force of Bidar Bakht Baha dur and was made a hazārı (300 tr) by an increment of a sad (200 tr) Chin Qilich Khan Bahadur after punishing the enemy near Bijapur, came to Court Satva Dafle, had

audience, through the mediation of Mun'ım Khan, and got the ıank of a 6-hazāıı (5,000 tr.) and kettledrums Bakhshıul-mulk Mukhlıs Khan became a 3-hazāıı (200 tr.) Tarbıyat Khan [396] Mır Ātısh, who was sent towards Berār
to break up the enemy's chhaum, became a 2½-hazāıı (1,200
tr.) Ruhullah Khan, Khān-ı-sāmān, got the same mansab
Muhtasham Khan, son of Shaikh Mır deceased, was
reinstated after dismissal, as a 2-hazāıı (1,000 tr.) Chin
Qalich Khan Bahādur was sent against the enemy near
Kotā, and presented with a belt dagger

Hedait-kesh Bholanath, a convert to Islam, son of Chhattar Mal, became the head (kul) news-reporter after his father's entry into hell Fazl 'Alı Khan (son of) Murshid Ouli Khan became diwan of Multan Mulla Abul Qasim had been enjoying a daily stipend of one rupee, on condition of chanting the Quran at the tomb of Shah 'Alijah's mother ın Aurangabad He was admitted as one of the new Deccani mansabdars, and on account of his accomplishments he become a high officer and the first bakhshi of Kām Bakhsh and diwan of Bijapur, and got the title of Darait Khan used to say, "I have a taste for poetry (taba'-1-mauzanı) too" He took the pen-name of Tez-hush on account of his Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur who had gone to demolish a temple and build a mosque (in its place) in Bijapur, having excellently carried out his orders, came to Court and gained praise and the post of darogha of ghusalkhanah, which brought him near the Emperor's person 'Askar 'Ali Khan Haidarabadi, was appointed Subahdar of Berar vice Kām Bakhsh Muhammad Āmin Khan on coming to Court, got [397] the post of Sadr of all Hindustan, and three emerald rings with silver enamel Muhammad Akram came to Court from Aurangābād and became Qāzı of the imperial Haibatullah 'Arab, having brought from Haidarabad things worthy of Emperors, presented them Among them was a copy of the Nehārya written by Mullā 'Abdullah, (the cook), the Emperor had got the first volume and had been longing for the second He rewarded the man with an elephant, an increment of fifty troopers, a mansab of hazārī, and 1,000 rupees Qutbuddin, envoy of Bukhārā, had audience On the day of interview he was given a robe, 10,000 rupees, a mohar weighing 200 mohars, a rupee weighing 200 rupees, and on the day of farewell, a female elephant and 15,000 rupees Zabardast Khan, subahdar of Oudh, was promoted to be a 3-hazānı (2,500 tr) Fathullah

klinn was appointed to patrol round Parenda, and presented with a robe and an enamelled dagger

IAQUT, EUNUCH, WOUNDED WITH IN ARROW

khwaja Yaqut, nāzir of Kām Bakhsh, owing to his sincere fideliti and devotion to his master's interests, some times spoke to him true but harsh words [398], which offended some ruffians who had access to the Prince and stuck in his service. The villains wished to pierce him with an arrow. On Monday, the 19th December, 1698/18th Jamad S, when he was returning at night from the Prince's palace to his own house, a rascal, who was waiting on the way for an opportunity, shot a two-forked lance-like arrow at him. As he had some life still left in him, the Defender of Life prevented the arrow from entering into the membrane of his stomach, and made his arm serve as a shield. Otherwise he would have been killed.

(I crsc) If the enemy is strong, the Protector is stronger still

When the Emperor learnt of it, * * * he decided to inquire into the matter in order to protect his servants and ordered the chief of police of the camp to imprison five of the chief jam'adars of the Prince's service, and to exert himself in finding out the archer The kotwal, after getting hold of four men who loyally surrendered themselves, reported that the Kokah (foster brother) of the Prince was refractory The Emperor ordered that Khwaja Muhammad, the Prince's balkhshi, [399] should bring the man to His The bakhshi, after softening him with flattering words brought him in his company near the imperial palace when he turned back at the instigation of some wicked men What could he do? Fate was adverse to him Khwaja Muhammad reported to the Emperor "He will not come and is making preparations for disobedience The Emperor ordered that the Prince should expel him from the camp The Prince summoned him, gave him two hundred ashrafis, a tent, and porters, and sent him away, and was displeased at his expulsion He had not yet crossed the river, when the Emperor sent a message to the Prince ordering him to bring this man with himself to His Majesty's Court and to inter cede for the pardon of his insolence The Prince summon ing him back, took him to the Court On being informed of it the Emperor ordered the Prince to come to the Presence,

leaving the Kokah in the diwan-1-khas. The Prince replied, "This man and I must have audience at the same place," and after taking off his own bālāband, he tied the Kokah to his person firmly round the waist When these unpleasant acts were reported, the Emperor ordered him to remain in the Court-house ('adālatgāh). Then according to command, Baklıslı-ul-mulk Mukhlıs Khan conveyed good advice to him As fate was then hostile to the Prince, he did not listen to the good counsel Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur was ordered to separate this bad companion from the Prince The Prince drew his dagger (katar), the Khan grasped his hand to wrest it The Khan received a cut, but through God's mercy the Prince remained safe, and what happened happened to that wretch [400] The Emperor on learning of it, ordered that a tent should be set up near the jewel-room and the Prince confined in it by way of punishment, and the Kokah should be sent to prison for punishment The Prince was dismissed from his mansab, and all his wealth, furniture, and insignia of dignity were confiscated By order, the Prince's chief officers were brought before the Emperor, presented with robes, and taken into His Majesty's service

At this time the head of Santa, sent by Ghaziuddin Khan Firuz Jang, reached the Court, and was ordered to be paraded through the chief parts of the Deccan In many places of this book something has been already narrated about the villain, the rest of his history is this —After the affair of Dodderi and the maityrdom of Himmat Khan Bahādur, Santā wanted to go towards Jinji An imperial order to pursue him reached Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur who left the company of Ruhullah Khan to carry out the order, arrived quickly, fought with him, and recovered some of the elephants of Qasım Khan. Then an order reached the Khan that Bidar Bakht had been ordered to chase him, and that he should come to Court leaving some of his officers who had been appointed to accompany the Prince behind. The Shāhzāda too had severe fights with the wretch, who escaped in safety every time. On the way to Jinji [401] the villain had had a fight with Dhana Jadav, who was conveying Raja Rāma to Jinji, on account of an old quarrel Santa triumphed, and capturing Amrit Rao, brother-in-law of Nāgoji, the companion and assistant of Dhana, had him trampled down by an elephant He also captured Raja Rāma, but Dhanā escaped The next day Santā appeared

with his hands ned together before Raja Rama and said "I am the same servint (is before) My rudeness was due to this thirt you winted to mike Dhana my equal, and to reach Jinji through his help. I shall now do any service that you may command." He released and conducted Raja Kima to Jinji In fighting with Zulfiqur Khan Bahadur, intriguing to instigate Kim Baklish throwing the siege into confusion and in cipturing Ism'ail Khan Makha he took n leading part. When the fort was captured he fled with Raja Rama, and went towards Satara to fight with Dhana who was there. In this battle with Dhana fortune deserted Santa he was severely defeated and fled from the field with only a few men to the zamindari of Nagon with whom he sought refuge. Nagou politely give him shelter in his house, but his wife whose brother had been shin by Santa urved her husband and another brother not to let him go away alive Nagou dismissed him with friendliness but his wife a brother went in pursuit, seeking for an opportunity of wreaking vengennee. At this time an imperial order to pursue Santa [402] reached Firuz Jang, ind in addition to pursue Santa [402] reached 1 rruz Jang, and in addition to his own troops the troops of Shahzada (Bidār Bakht) and Hamiduddin Khan were placed under his cammand Matlab Khan, who was appointed sazaral on hearing this news came upon Santa. The stories vary, but he was either seized by the Khan and sent to hell, or was slain by the same claimant of blood (Mant's prother in law) his head fell into the hands of the soldiers of Tiruz Khan and was sent to the Emperor * * * * In return for this splendid service the Khan was rewarded with a turban ('āmat), in addition to praise, and Matlab Khan got an increment of 500

CHAPTER XLIII

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The Emperor went to Sholapur to pass the month of Ramzān and to celebrate the 'Id Mansur Khan was ordered to bring the haiem of Kām Bakhsh from the base (bungāh) M'amur Khan became faujdār of Karnātak vice Ātish Khan Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur [403] became darogha of the second jewellery department vice Muharram Khan (Khwāja Muharram 'Alı-Maidān Khāni) deceased Rustam Beg Khan Circassian, one of the of Rustam Khan Bahādur Shah-Jahām, who had newly come to India and got into service, became qiladar of Mangalbidā vice Yaliyā Khan. The Emperor ordered that Kām Bakhsh should perform the zuhar prayer in the mosque of the palace of Hasan-barr and the 'asar prayer in company with the Emperor Muhammad Amin, deputy of Sarbarah Khan Kotwāl, was ordered that, as Mirak Husain the dismissed diwan and naib of the Prince had misappropriated large amounts of imperial money, he should confine him in the chabutia and realise what the diwam officers would report as due from him

I knew this noble, he had many praiseworthy qualities but had no genius for conducting business. One of the many mistaken acts which are notorious through the world is this like two or three other grandees whose names need not be mentioned here, and who delighted in the praise of mean people and their own servants for their alleged practical ability and honesty,—he too remained satisfied with such a [false] reputation. At last the whole thing was exposed During his nāibship of the subah, his wicked sons, ruinous hereditary acquaintances, roguish faqirs, nimble-handed and glib, who enjoyed the confidence of this grandee, on seeing him so negligent and inexperienced, misappropriated the money of the Emperor and the Prince, and at last landed him in the police lock-up (chabutra-i-kotwāh), and then they themselves quickly fled to their homes, leaving him to

suffer [404] In short, some virtuous nobles, like Mukhlis Khan, Multafat Khan and 'Ināyetullah Khan, finally took pity on him, came to his aid, and together spoke well of him to the Emperor, so that he was released from confinement, but did not look up again, till death came to him

By order Khudabanda Khan went to guard the base, and 'Unidat ul mulk came to Court to perform the prayer of 'Id On the day of 'Id Kām Bakhsh rode on horseback in the cortege of the Emperor Peshkash was presented to His Majesty (by many) Rewards and favours were conferred (for the 'Id) Buland Akhtar came to make the bow of blessing for the 'Id Ruhullah Khan after transfer from the dārogha-ship of the diwān i khās, got an increment of 5 sad to his former rank of 2½ hazān Hedāitullah Khan presented nazar on the birth of a son Mansur Khan dārogha of artillery of the Decean, reported that his brother Muham mad Yusuf Khan qiladār of Qamrangar (Karnul) had sent as prisoner, a man who had given himself ont in that neigh bourhood as the rebel Akbar He was ordered to be made over to Hamududdin Khan

On Thursday, the 20th April, 1699/29th Shawwal, Kām Baklish went to a tent, pitched one chain (janb) out side the gulalbar On Tuesday the 16th May 28th Zil Q the messengers of Rana Amar Singh had audience they brought one elephant two horses nine swords and nine drawers of leather as peshkash [405] Kamgar Khan and Raja Man Singh son of Rup Singh (Rathor) were 21-hazans each got 500 more Abdur Rahim Khan, brother of Khan Firuz Jang, a hazārī got 500 more On Tuesday, the 30th May, 1699/10th Zil H Kām Bakhsh went to and returned from the 'Idgah before the arrival and return of the imperial cortege On Sunday, the 18th June/29th Zil H, he made his bow for being restored to his rank of 20 hazari Saturday, the 24th June/16th Muharram, Chin Qalich Khan Bahadur returned to Court after chastising the enemy near Kotā The Emperor ordered Bakhshi ul mulk Mukhlis Khan to advance to the gate of the fort of Islampuri to wel come him and to conduct him to his presence By an increment of 500 (200 tr) he was made 31 hazārs (3,000 tr) On Monday, the 10th July/22nd Muharram, Muhammad Ibrāhim son of Najābat Khan deceased, who had the title of Khan i Alam, after being released from prison, was restored to the rank of 3 hazars (2-hazar tr) and appointed faujder of Jaunpur Indra Singh and Bahadur Singh, sons

of Rānā Rāj Singh, were made 2-hazānı (1,000 tr.) and a hazānı (500 tr.) respectively Muhammad Āmin Khan reported to the Émperor from the letter of Firuz Jang Khan that the zamındar of Islamgarh, on being defeated by the imperial forces had fled and that Islamgarh had been captured 'A bogus Buland Akhtar, the son of Shujā' who had appeared near Allahabad, was captured and conveyed to Gwalior by a mace-bearer, who brought a receipt under the seal of the quadar A cup of manyam stone* [406] sent by Shujā'et Khan to Multafat Khan was shown to the Emperor As it was dappled, the Emperor liked it The Khan was ordered to write to Shujā'et Khan to make vessels like the cup and tray and send them to the Emperor. The Khan made and sent extremely nice vessels with some additional things, viz, throne, cistern and bedstead of one piece and many carpet-stones of exquisite fashion and size They were accepted by the Emperor Wahid Khan, grandson of the famous Chagtāi, became thānadār of Ghorband, he was a 3-sadi (same tr) Satvā Daflé,† who had come to Court, fled from the army through the deception of the dragon of ill-luck Tarbiyat Khan Mir Atish, Sayyid Khan, Shukrullah Khan Kashghari and others were sent to pursue and punish him Hāji Khānam, sister of Khan Jahān Bahadur, came from Delhi to Court after her brother's death and received jewels worth 5,000 rupees, a half-sleeve, a do-shāla and 2,000 rupees in cash Nasrat Khan son of Khan Jahān Bahādur, a 9-sadı (500 tr) got 100 more, while his youngest son Ābul Fath Khan, a 7-sadı (300 tr) got 3-sadı (100 tr) more Zıāullah, son of 'Ināyetullah Khan presented suitable peshkash on the birth of a son Mukhlis Khan conducted to the Presence Muhammad Tagi, the chief of the merchants of Persia, he presented a Quran, a Ghori langar, 27 taga of gold-embroidered cloth, and 'atr of fitna Ruhullah Khan became därogha of the imperial retinue vice Zulfiqār Khan Bahādur [407] and Siādat Khan that of 'arz-i-mukarrar vice 'Abdur Rahman Khan He was a hazārı (200 tr), and now got 500 more. Saf Shıkan Khan became agent of the Crown Prince The Emperor ordered

^{*}Stones used as weights to keep carpets stretched, usually placed on the corners

[†]Satvā Dāflé—He was Satvāji Rāo Dāflé, the father of Bāji Rão Chāvan Dāfle The latter was mortally wounded in trying to storm the breach at the siege of Satārā, and the jāgir of Jath, W of Bajapur, was given to the family in reward The father was the jāgirdār The family entered Bijapur service about 1672 (Letter from the present chief of Jath to me, 6-8-1916) Satvā Dāflé is frequently mentioned in Aklibārāt, ann 43, 48

that Sarup Singh, son of Anup Singh, should bring the dependants of Raja Rāma from Zulfiqār Khan Bahādur to the Court, and that the dependants of Shivā who were in the misl of the 'Uindat ul mulk, should be brought by Hanniduddin Khan from that place and kept near Raja Shāhu in the gulālbār Hifzullah Khan, son of Sadullah Khan, Subahdār of Tatta and fauydār of Siwistān got an increment of 300 to his rank of 2-hazari (700 tr), at the request of Muizzuddin Huinduddin Khan Bahādur a 2 hazāri (1,400 tr), got 100 tr in addition Shaikh S'adullah was removed from the mushrifi of the khawāses I got that post in addition to my former one Nasrat Jang Khan had audience, and received a robe, a horse, an elephant, and a jewelled dagger

EMPEROR S MARCH TO CAPTURE THE FORTS OF THE INFIDELS

Conquest of Vasantgarh alias Kilid i fath

[408] The Emperor after four years stay at Islam puri ** wished to set out on expedition in person and to trample under the hoofs of his horse the land and forts of the infernal infidels. He ordered that a cutcha wall (lit fort) with a circuit of two and a half kos should be built around the small fortalice of stone and plaster which had been constructed a year earlier to enclose the Emperor squarters. This work was finished in fifteen days. Zinat un nisā Begam, the mother of the Prince (i.e., Udipuri), and other ladies of the harem, and the families of all (common) people were left in this safe base under the care of Umdat ul mulk Madār ul maham Asad Khan with a suit able force.

On Thursday, the 19th October 1699/5th Jamad A, the Emperor started at an auspicious moment [409] I can not record the marches and places of alighting at all the stages (of his journey) In short, he reached the outskirts of Murtazābād Miraj in twenty days Prince Muhammad 'Āzam, who had been summoned to the Emperor from Ped gāon had audience here and received various favours, a special robe a jewelled dhakdhaki and a horse with enamelled sāz As true news was received that Raja Rāma had gone towards Berar Bidār Bakht was ordered to leave his camp at Murtazābād and hasten in pursuit of him

Ruhullah Khan was given a robe and a sword and Hamiduddın Khan Bahādur a robe and a katār and ordered to ravage the tract between Parnālagarh and Satārāgarh, leaving not the name or vestige of habitation. On the way, when the imperial camp reached the neighbourhood of the parganah of Karād the Emperor learnt that an imperial outpost (thānah) once stood here, but the enemy had ruined it, and that a mosque built here in former times was without a lamp. The Emperor marched two kos in that direction and [410] said two-fold prayers in the mosque and issued an order to populate the place and restore the thanah. The runaway ryots being reassured with promises of safety and reward, resumed their residence there A party was appointed to guard them From this place the Emperor went to a thanah named Masur, where a body of Islamic troops were staying. Opposite it, at a distance of three kos on the top of a strongly fortified hill was a firmly-built fort named Vasantgarh, belonging to the enemy and famous for its strength

The Emperor ordered Tarbiyat Khan Mir Atish to ascend the hill and fight the devils The Khan did in two days the work of two years, carried the artillery-men under the gate of the fort, and placing guns opposite to it, got ready for destroying the enemy, who did not abstain from cannonade and showering fire On learning of it the Emperor ordered his tent to be pitched on the bank of the Krishnā, which flows at the foot of the fort at a distance of one kos, and said, "My object in this journey is nothing except holy war (ghazā), so please God and His Prophet Next morning I shall mount my horse to conduct the assault, and raise my banner to slay the infidels' [411] On seeing the tent set up so near and hearing of the Emperor's determination, the enemy lost heart 'They cried quarters that very day, and wanted only to escape with their honour (family) As the Emperor is the protector of the weak, he graciously ordered that the garrison should be allowed to go out without their arms, instead of being put to the sword At night the enemy got their opportunity of evacuating the fort, and next morning, Saturday, the 25th November, 1699/12th Jamad S, the fort was conquered and renamed Kılıd-ı-fath Much buried treasure, provisions, weapons were seized by the imperialists in the fort

On Friday, the 17th November/4th Jamad S, the Emperor learnt that Bidar Bakht had had a severe fight with

Rāmā on the further side of the Nirā Khan i 'Alam and Sarāfrāz Khan had distinguished themselves and the enemy had fled leaving his camp and baggage behind. The Shāh zāda and other [412] good warriors had rewards sent to them. Khan Bahādur Nasrat Jang was ordered to serve under the Shāhzāda and punish the vanquished Rāmā [Rajaram] wherever he might raise his head

Two servants of Muhammad Albar from Qandahār brought to the Court a letter begging forgiveness and a casket of attar A robe and a farmān,—stating that so long as he did not come within the frontiers of India he would not be pardoned but that on his entering the imperial dominions a gracious order appointing him Subahdār of Bengal and conferring other favours would be issued to him,—were sent to Albar with these men

Amānat Khan mutasaddı of the port of Surat, died, his elder brother Diānat Khan succeeded him Saifuddin Khan Safavı became qıladar of Sholāpur Lutfullah Khan became Subahdār of Bijapur he was a 2½-hazān (1 400 tr.) and now got 500 zāt (600 tr.) more.

CAPTURE OF SATARA

[413] * * * On Friday, the 8th December, 1699/25th lamad S, the imperial tent was pitched at the foot of the fort at a distance of half a kos On the other side was placed the camp of 'Azam Shah The army surrounded the environs of the fort By order Tarbiyat Khan Mir Atish began to run trenches In a few days the heroes reached the waist (of the hill) and carried heavy guns [414] up A terrible fire was directed upon the fort But what looked like the wall of the fort was entirely rock, thirty yards high, and above it had been placed sixty yards of muzawwar and sangchm (loose stones) there was no wall which could be shaken (by bombardment) As Satārā was the refuge and abode of the hellish infidel Rāmā [Rajaram], it was full of all the materials of strength such as artillery, provisions abundance of water from fountains which flowed even in summer and soldiers of skill and desperate courage Day and night rockets muskets, huqqa, chādar mashk and matwala were fired incessantly (from the fort) The count less force of the enemy outside the fort fell on the provisions and burnt the grass, the means of life of the cattle for twenty miles round On some occasions they boldly approached

the camp but were put to flight Scarcity of grain and fodder reached the extreme point Those who looked at the external aspect of things thought the conquest of the fort an impossibility The Emperor relying on the Helper of jihadfighters in the path of Allah, remained as firm and courageous as ever to vanguish the infidels, till at last, 13 zir'a from the door of the fort a raised battery was erected opposite the tower, in procuring materials for it not a tree was left within thirty or forty kos From the side of the Prince, too, all the trenches were run to the foot of the fort It was ordered that miners should run mines under the foundations of the fort [415] Within a few days twenty-four yards of hard stony soil were excavated from the neighbourhood of the same raised battery With these men (the miners) were present, according to command, two thousand Māvlé infantry who were very expert in capturing forts One lakh and thirty thousand rupees, the salary of three years, was paid in advance to these men And materials for scaling the fort, such as, ladders with steps, rope-ladders ($m\bar{a}l$), and leather covers (jāmah) were provided ' * *

And as in the opinion of the chiefs the mere assembling of these materials was not likely to result in the capture of the fort, Tarbiyat Khan made a portable ladder from the foot of the same raised battery, which (battery) was twenty four yards in height For the materials of this ladder he used up a thousand camel-litters and bags of sack-cloth and (even) fine linen—the last of which was so scarce that less than four yards of it could be had for a rupee—and all the firewood of the plain around After making a glacis, he carried the myne to the foot of the fort, and planted the wooden ladders above it But the business did not prosper beyond this that the Khan had mounted rahkalas (small cannon) on the former raised platform (damdama) and the garrison could not show their heads above the fort-wall or fire muskets but had to sit down in hiding behind the wall and throw stones The plan of storming the walls was not likely to succeed The Emperor ordered that under the leadership of Ruhullah Khan, Fathullah Khan should run another trench from the side of the gate of the fort On Friday, the 15th March, 1700/5th Shawwal, the Khan boldly following the right plans (416) carried the trench under the rewni (fausse-braye) of the fort in one month Tarbiyat Khan, in order to remedy the weakness in planning he had shown in the work of forming ladders, excavated a

recess in the sangelin of the fort, and made a cavity four yards on one side and ten yards on the other in the length of the wall There was only a thin screen between the garrison and the heroes who kept watch in this recess But from neither side did any body dare to cross this zir's of land It was decided to fill the whole cavity with gunpowder and overthrow the wall, in order to open a path for the easy entrance of the storming party. The Emperor ordered that in addition to the cavalry, infantry, artillery, khaschauki, Afghan and Ghakkar clansmen, other troops and Kar natakis, who were present there day and night, Bakhshi ul mulk Mukhlis Khan and Hamidaddin Khan Bahadur should go with some thousand troopers and nait for the opportunity so that when after the explosion of the mine. the forlorn hope* would enter the fort, they might reinforce them On Saturday the morning of 13th April 1700/5th Zil Q at first a fuse was fired, the fort will fell inside and a large body of the garrison were burnt. In the expectation that this wall too would be thrown down inside no warning was sent to the storming party to run back but the (second) match was fired The wall fell on the Mughal side, hills of stone and clay were showered on the thousands of men ready for the movement those who had hidden themselves in mud holes in wait for the opportunity (to storm) found ready graves there [417] Many were flung into the nadir which resembled the coffin of (their) destruction, and their limbs were scattered. In short, nearly two thousand brave soldiers perished Although a wide path for men opened of itself (in the wall) and some infantry ran to the top of the wall and cried 'Come on I there is none here'', yet so overcome were the men of the trenches by fear that none advanced The plan was upset What was done produced no better result than if it had not been done so that, when after a few hours, the opportunity passed away and the enemy saw that none appeared on that side they mounted the wall and made the hot place liotter still occupied it firmly, and began to fire their muskets As the damdama too had been thrown down, the rahkalas had fallen down, and the soldiers withdrew their hands from their work, who could encounter the enemy? At this time the Emperor boldly supported them from behind so that they began to enter the fort over heaps of the slam Yes without the leader works fall into

This was Bēji Chāvan Dāfié ancestor of the chief of Juli (in the Bilapur district)

confusion, without the commander the hearts of heroes become as limbs without the head, even if the soldiers are one lakh, in the absence of that single individual (the leader), they do not amount to one, and if he alone enters the field he does not need the aid of this lakh of men. There is no doubt about it (Verse)

[418] This was the reason—the Emperor had in his foresight ordered a tent to be pitched in the waist of the hill, in order to go there personally with the Prince and himself conduct the operations As Providence wished to further His own design, all the ministers joined together in dissuading His Majesty by entieaty. This day, too, the imperial coitege was kept ready to start, but after the work had been thrown into confusion what would be the good of his going there? The Emperor repeatedly said, "How excellent would it have been if I had been with them and had thus accomplished a great success!" He sent cheering messages to the demoralised troops urging them to be firm, "Why are you overcome by mere imagination and agitation of mind? The enemy have not triumphed over you Only your plan has miscarried Well, if a roof falls down, do not a body of men perish in the sleep of negligence?" very day Sarfaraz Khan, Manaji, and the troops of Bakhshiul-mulk Bahramand Khan were ordered to go and hold the trenches in company with Tarbiyat Khan The relatives of some of the buried persons, who could make their way to the places where they were trapped, extracted the dead and the wounded and carried them to their quarters What was more strange was that the bahha infantry, saddened by the sinking down of their brothers, sons and friends, and angry with the Mir Atish, [419] on seeing that it was impossible to extract the dead from under the hill of stone and clay—and as it was the rule of their bad religion to burn the dead, secretly set fire that night to the entrenchments, which were entirely of wood. The fire burnt for seven days and nights Where was the water to quench this wilderness of fire? Many Hindus and some Muslims that could not be brought out, were buint together

This nobleman (Tarbiyat Khan), in the hope of bread and fear of life, which all slaves of the Emperor have, had made such exertions in conquering the fort as the imagination cannot picture—But "Men plan, God alone performs" Holy God! the fortune of the Emperor was such as in these eighty-five years of his life wherever he turned his face,

many remote objects and many high designs hastened to wel come him On Tuesday, the 5th March 1700/25th Ramzan, news came that Rama, [Rajaram] who had made a dash towards Berar, had returned disappointed to his home and gone to hell there On Wednesday, the 20th March/10th Shawwal, news came that his 5 year old son, whom his chiefs had set up as their king, [420] had died too seeing these divine aids and fearing extirpation, Parsuram, the chief officer of the infidel s household, came out of the fort (Parlı) seven los from Satara, and got the Emperor's pardon through the mediation of Ruhullah Khan Subhan the commandant of Satara, a prudent and lucky man, on seeing that other (Maratha leaders) were going to outstrip him in offering submission, and serving their own ends that the fort wall on the side of the trenches of Tarbiyat Khan had fallen down for seventy yards up to half the tower that many men had been destroyed by artillery fire, especially the gun 'Mulk zabt , which had been mounted on a hillock behind the trenches of the Prince and commanded the fort was demolishing the houses in the fort that 400 men had been destroyed at the explosion of the mine, that Fathullah Khan had run lofty entrenchments to the gate of the fort, and was wishing to break the gate and demolish the wall at one blow,-found no refuge left to him except begging the Emperor's forgiveness, and sent an envoy (miānji) to Prince Azam Shah to beg for quarters He taking pity on the lives of the thousands of men and women in the fort interceded with the Emperor who granted his request [421] The order of pardon was issued the garrison were allowed to go in safety out of the fort On Sunday, the 21st April 1700/ 13th Zil Q our banners mounted the towers and parapets of that fort of infidelity

As the fort was captured through the mediation of the Prince it was named 'Azantārā The next day the Prince brought Subhān with his hands and neck tied together to the Emperor who ordered him to be unbound and enrolled in the imperial service He was given a mansab of 5 hazāri (2,000 tr) a robe, a katār, a horse, an elephant, a tugh a

standard Lettledrums, and 20 000 rupees * * *

[422] The siege of the fort from its commencement on 8th December 1609/25th Jamad S to its conclusion on 21st April 1700/19th Zil Q, occupied four months and eighteen days I shall now narrate briefly the other events

that happened during this period

On Wednesday, the 6th December, 1699/23rd Jamad S, four hundred ashrafis sent by 'Umdat-ul-mulk from the base as peshkash for the conquest of Kılıd-ı-fath, were presented to the Emperor Bakhshi-ul-mulk Mukhlis Khan by command conveyed Kām Bakhsh to Shāh 'Alıjāh, and at the Shāh's request it was ordered that at the time of holding Court Kam Bakhsh too should come Shaikh Farid, son of Hamid Khan got the title of Khan On Tuesday, the 26th December/14th Rajab, Bidar Bakht, returning from the punishment of Rāmā, [Rajaram] had audience Nasrat Jang had audience and received many favours On Saturday, the 6th January, 1700/25th Rajab, Ikhlas Khan, who had the title of Ihtamam Khan went out for patrolling, when the enemy appeared one mile from the imperial camp, a severe battle was fought, he was slain with his son and a son of Najābat Khan deceased, and many soldiers were slain or wounded The post of the deceased [423] was given to Hamiduddin Khan, who got a special robe with a jewelled waist-muttaka The Emperor learnt that Muhammad Amin Khan was having an encounter with the enemy one and a half kos from the camp, and that if he got reinforcement he might vanguish the rebels Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur was ordered to go to his aid Bakhshi-ul-mulk Bahramand Khan and Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur who had gone towards Khatav to bring in provisions, beat and drove away the enemy wherever he appeared, and conveyed large supplies to the imperial camp. After interview they were praised. Bahramand Khan got an emerald muttaka and Hamiduddin Khan a sarpech Ramchand, thanadar of Khatāv, was promoted to be a 2-hazārı (3,000 tr) On Wednesday, the 31st January, 1700/20th Shabān, the Crown Prince was made Subahdar of Lahore vice Ibrāhim Khan, a sword, a dagger, a shield, a quiver and a bow-case were presented to Buland Akhtar He made his bow in the private chamber

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10th Lebruary 1700-28th January, 1701

(124) Lard Khan Subahdur of Kashnur was ordered to administer the Panjab as the deputy of the Crown Prince He was a 2½ ha an (1,200 tr.) and now got an increment of 500 (200 tr.). Vijay Singh zamindur (hum) of Ambergot the title of Raja Jai Singh on the death of his father and his brother (Januna) got the title of Vijay Singh. He was a haziri (800 tr.) and now got an increment of 500 (1,200 tr.). Chin Qulich Khan Bahadur was restored the 500 zat deducted from his rank and became a 4 hazāri (1 hazar tr.). Chhatra Sal Bundela [Lor Rathor] became qulad ir of Azamtura. On Monday the 22nd April, 1700/18th 7il. Q. the I imperor visited the fort and performed the two-fold prayer of thanks in the old mosque, built by the Bahamann kings, which was white wished at His Muesty's continued.

CAPTURE OF FORT PARLI

When the Emperor [125] had finished the conquest of Azamtura and land appointed its quadar and fauldar he wanted to conquer Parli garli He ordered Fathullah Khan to go in advance and besiege the fort. The Khan reached the fort that very day and decided to run trenches directed towards the tower under which was a small door of the fort The imperial officers quickly conveyed the siege materials collected at Satara to the foot of Parli On Tuesday the 30th April/32nd Zil O the Emperor having traversed the intervening space in three days encamped on the plain in front of the fort gate. The Prince's camp was located before the imperial mansion Ruhullah Khan became mir murchal Chin Oalich Khan Bahadur and the soldiers of the Prince, and other forces of the army surrounded the hill of the fort on all sides forming a circuit of a few los Parli is even stronger than Satara In short, the Khan without heeding its strength, worked hard to run trenches and to mount guns

had entered the fort with them to go out by the gate towards the imperial army and crying quarters besought the Prince for safety. As the I imperor had based the work of conquest on the counsel of the Prince and he always accepted the Prince's men sent the garrison out of the fort on Sunday the fifth June/3rd Muharram [128] without their weapons property and wealth. This sent of Islam, which through the tricks of the hellish Shiya had gone out of the possession of the Bijapuris and been turned into a seat of war (dar ul high) verified the verse. Truth came and falsehood disappeared. The old mosque was filled again and the new temple was destroyed, this fort had been built by Ibrāhim Adil Khan in 1625 A.D./1035 A.H. and as he used to give the name of Nauras to all newly made things (such as the title of the book of Mulla Zahuri the name of the city of Nauras i Ibrāhim and the name of the dam or coin Nauras) it was now named Nauras tarā.

MARCH OF THE IMPERIAL ARMA TOWARDS BHUSANGARH

After the capture of Nauras-tārā the Emperor wished to march towards Bhusangarh. Although getting out of such a bad place was regarded by high and low in the army as a great boon, yet owing to material and celestral cala mittes there was no beast of burden left in the wide camp. The soldiers considered it a great comfort to stay there [429] and could not march under the load of fatigue But the Emperor is the custodian of the comfort of his people and if he had not wished it, none could have come but of that dangerous place.

The return march commenced on Friday the 21st June 1700/15th Muharram The grosses wills milly had to load their household goods on cocks. One march was followed by two halts, in order to enable the men mounted on pack saddles devoid of baggage to arrive by any means they could find. Many of the army passed over five kos in three stages, and reached the Krishnā which was in such a high flood that the banks could not be seen. The army finished the crossing in a few days, and with great difficulty reached Sābitgarh and the neighbouring villages. On Thursday the 25th July /19th Safar the camp arrived near

Bhusangarh The rains went back to their houses army regained peace of mind The violence of the rivers and nullahs ceased The people got safety and comfort The Prince was ordered to go to Khandesh, the land of repose and stay at Burhanpur, in order to refresh his troops And the war-worn soldiers were sent to various flourishing places in the old dominion Orders were sent to the provincial governors to send fresh troops to the Emperor Prince Bidar Bakht, who with his own troops, [430] had been guarding the base, was summoned to the Presence After interview he was deputed to conquer fort Parnāla In addition to his own troops, Zulfiqar Khan Bahadur Nasrat Jang was appointed to serve under him, and after some time Tarbivat Khan, Mir Atish, too As the Emperor's sole wish was to give ease to the people, he decided to make Khawāspur, which was about one day's journey, his base, so that the soldiers accompanying him might enjoy repose during his stay there On Friday, the 30th August, 1700/ 26th Rabi A, the army started for the place, and on the arrival there the soldiers really gained ease through the comparative abundance of grain, fodder and most other

In a waterless river, the name of whose bed (qalb) is "the mirage of abundant water", and on both banks and middle of which many commanders and soldiers of the right and front (divisions) [431] had pitched their tents, never dreaming that up to the day of Resurrection, a drop of water would descend on it except in the rainy season, the verse "The oven spouted forth water" at Noah's deluge came to be proved true On the night of Tuesday, the 1st October, 1700/28th Rabi S, there was rain in the heights, the hill streams set their faces towards it While the men were fast asleep in their tents, all on a sudden the water came down raging from both banks and spread over the plain, turning the land into water The tents were ruined numbers of men and animals were drowned The rest became prisoners of water If the remaining period had been night and the flood had continued longer than four or five gharis of day, no one would have remained alive the grace of God the dawn appeared, the men saved their They sought for the traces of their houses and found Giving up all hopes of their property they went crying in all directions In some misls which had been located on distant and high hillocks, no news arrived of

what happened (in the river) Praised be God that no harm befell the imperial tent which was pitched very high ***

As I have not yet recorded certain incidents from the beginning of the 44th year [482], I shall now narrate them to the end of the Sh'abān (last month) of that year, it being necessary for the historian of events to preserve the chain of narrative

Zulfigar Khan Bahadur Nasrat Jang who had been ordered to punish Dhana Jiday returned to Court, after crushing him He and his companions Daud Khan, Dalpat Ram Singh, and others got praise, robes, jewels and pro-Prince Muhammad Mu izzuddin Subalidar of Multan, was rewarded for having wrested the fort of Dhaohar from the possession of the zamindar of Dogra. with an increment of 2 hazar tr making him a 12-hazari (6 000 tr doaspa) Prince Muhammad 'Azim, Subahdar of Bengal got the hazār tr that had been reduced from his rank. Hifzullah khan Subahdār of Tatta a 2 hazāri (same tr) got 500 more at the Shāhzāda s request Fazil Khan Subahdar of Kashmir who had declined to act as deputy Subahdar of Lahore and applied for permission to come to Court had the 200 tr which had been given him on condition of being deputy, taken away from his mansab and his application was granted. On the way he died at Burhanpur He was an upright honoured and faithful Inavetullah Khan was ordered to give jagir for 3 000 tr to Kam Bakhsh in tankhua and not to insist on new memorandum (yād-dāsht) Khudabanda Khan bayutat, became Subahdar of Muhammadabad vice Askar Khan, with an increment of 500 (same tr) Fazail Khan mır munshi därogha of the librarı [483] became bayutat vice him Inäyetullah Khan became diwan of Bidär Bakht Bahadur The Emperor learnt that Hindus did not take (cooked) food during imprisonment and hence Raja Shahu son of Sambha, used to eat sweet meats fruits pak.wan, instead of (cooked) food Hamiduddin Khan conveyed to him this message, 'You are not a prisoner you are living in your own house You should eat cooked food ' Zinat un nisă Begam who had been summoned from the base, arrived on Saturday the 12th October 1700/10th Jamad A mounted on a chaudol Baklish and Buland Akhtar welcomed her by advancing Fidai Khan, Subahdar of Bihar got the fauidari of Tirhut

and Dārbhanga He was a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -hazārı (same tr) and now got an increment of 500 $z\bar{a}t$ unconditionally. When the affairs of the country fell into confusion on the death of Bulbāris Khan, king of Kāshghar, the Emperor ordered Ārslān Khan, son of Shāh Khan and grand-son of the late king's uncle, who was in the imperial service, to go home and take possession of the kingdom. Sardār Khan of the Ciown Prince's army, was permitted to help him Sadruddin Muhammad Khan became Subahdār of Khāndesh vice Mu'ataqad Khan, and was made a 2-hazāri (same tr) by an increment of 500 troopers [434]

EMPEROR'S MARCH TO CAPTURE PARNĀLĀ

On Monday, the 16th December, 1700/16th Rajab, His Majesty marched towards Murtazābād Miraj, arriving there on Wednesday, the 1st January, 1701/2nd Shabān Bakhshi-ul-mulk Mukhlis Khan, son of Saf Shikan Khan, grandson of that Qawāmuddin Khan who had been Sadr of Persia, and brother's son of the renowned Khalifā Sultān, died of severe illness on Saturday, the 3rd January, 1701/4th Sh'abān and was buried in the tomb-garden (1auza) of the saint Sayyid Shamsuddin, situated in the new city (Miraj) He combined nobility of birth with perfection in the discharge of his profession. Independence of earthly needs and freedom of spirit were natural to him. The Emperor used often to say about him, "I have a young Khalifā Sultān with me". Ruhullah Khan became second bakhshi vice the deceased, and was succeeded by Saf Shikan Khan in the posts of Qurbegi and bakhshi of the āhadis

CHAPTLR XLV

15TH YEAR OF THE REIGN

20th January 1701-18th January, 1702

The Luperor staved at Miraj during the month of Randzan. When it was over on Sunday, the 2nd March 1701/3rd Shawwal, he started for the conquest of Parnāla and Pawangarh, close to it a veri loft; fort nowise inferior to Parnāla in strength. On Saturday, the 9th March/10th Shawwal, the imperial camp was pitched in the environs of the fort at a place (facing) the door of the fort on the bank of the river that flows under the fort within gunshot. [495] That day I took omens in the poetical works of His Holmess Hāfiz concerning the conquest of the fort, and my eyes fell on the following couplet.

The heart which has the invisible world in sight
possesses the cup of Jamshid,
Why be anxious about a ring which gets lost for a
moment?

In truth, this ring of auspicious inscription (i e Parnālā) had often been taken possession of by Muhammadan Shiva wrested it from the Adil khani kings Afterwards when the whole country of the Deccan was cleansed of the filth of infidel dominion, it was captured by the imperialists through the exertions of Muhammad Then Samblia recovered possession of it through some of its defenders conducting themselves like infidels and the negligence and cowardice of its qiladar God it now again came into the hands of the Muslims In short Nusrat Jang Khan, was sent to punish the rebel 'threves on whichever side they might raise their heads Shāhzāda Wālā tabār and other forces having come, some of the troops accompanying the Emperor were ordered to pitch their tents on the other side of the fort surrounded the circuit of both the forts seven kos in extent Under the supervision of Tarbiyat Khan trenches were run and guns [436] began to play on the enemy. In a short time five towers of the fort were demolished down to more

than half their height This commander exerted himself marvellously in breaking the stony soil and running up lanes (tunnels) into the hilly region. Having excavated a distance of some jail (land-measuring rope) under the ground, he made a path, through which three fully armed men could walk abreast at their full height. At a distance of some paces a chamber was made large enough to seat twenty soldiers. On all sides of it windows were made for the wind to blow and the sun to shine in He stationed his artillerymen in this house to prevent with their muskets the enemy from showing their heads above the wall lane was carried under the tower on which the guns were playing, and its base was hollowed out so much that a party of heroes kept watch in it without being touched by the huqqa and matwala of the enemy And at last he led this lane inside the fort by carrying it under the outer breastwork of the gate But as delay occurred in the progress of the work, the ramy season was close at hand, and this country on account of its bad weather in the rains, the intervention of some rivers difficult to cross, and the difficulty of bringing in supplies, was not fit for the encampment (chhaum) of the imperial army, the Emperor ordered Fathullah Khan, who had gone to Aurangabad to refresh his broken troops and had recently returned to the Presence, [437] to run a second trench from the side of the troops of the Emperor's son, under the command of that Prince [Kām Bakhsh] and with the co-operation of Mun'im The Khan, in one month, cut away the stony soil of the high hill and carried the lane to the foot of the gate The garrison of both the forts fought (for a long time) But when they saw the running of lanes, and the skill of the musketeers, and apprehended that Tarbiyat Khan from one side and Fathullah Khan from the other would destroy the impregnability of their fort, that Muhammad Murad Khan with his followers and Khwaja Muhammad, bakhshi of the army of Kam Bakhsh wished to overthrow the towers and battlements of Pawangarh, that the besieging army had left to the garrison little chance of flight, and that it was the Emperor 'Alamgir who never gave up his purpose on account of rain or other accidents and these were troops who never left their work undone, ' they saw no recourse left to them but to submit and sent men through the mediation of Tarbiyat Khan [438] to the Emperor's son and the Shahzada to beg for quarters. These

two gracious ones taking pity on the multitude of likely victims recommended the prayer for mercy, which the Emperor granted Trimbak, the giladar was permitted to depart with his life and property. On the 28th May, 1701/ 1st Muharram, the conquest was accomplished, and the two forts annexed to the Empire Parnālā was so high that Azamtārā could not lift its head above the wall of the former * * * [489] Parnālā was renamed Nabishah Durg

I shall now narrate certain former and synchronous events of this year Sher Zaman Khan qiladar of Kabul, became nāib Subahdār vice Nāsir Khan who was punished by reduction of his rank by 500 zāt (600 tr) Sadruddin Muhammad Khan Safavi, got the tittle of Mirza Emperor learnt that Ghazinddin Khan Bahadur Firuz Jane had arrived by command to guard the base Chin Qalich Khan Bahadur, son of Firuz Jang, having left his father on account of ill feeling, by command went to Aurangabad Jan Sipar Khan son of Mukhtar Khan nazim Haidarabad died the subadarship was entrusted to the agents of Kam Bakhsh Rustam-dil Khan son of the deceased (Jān Sipār Khan) became nāib (Subahdār) and received an addition of 500 zāt (same tr) to his rank of hazārı (500 tr.) Bulbārıs Khan became guardian of the base at Murtazābād, and received an addition of 500 zāt (100 tr) to his rank of 11/2 hazāri (500 tr) Daud Khan became faujdar of Karnatak Haidarábadi (Bijapuri) as deputy of Nasrat Jang

As the Emperor could not ride out to perform the two prayers of Id ul fitr (28th February, 1701) owing to the violence of his catarrh (nazlah) [440] Kam Baklish with his sons and Buland Akhtar, made the bows of congratula tion (for the 'Id) to the Emperor who ordered that instead of the name of nazar that of niaz should be applied to the presents made by the Princes, and that of nisār to those of the āmirs Quibuddin, envoy of Turān who had received his congee begged the Crown Prince on reaching Kābul to admit him into the imperial service he was given the rank of a hazāri (200 tr)

On Friday the 18th April, 1701/21st Zil Q the lightning struck the courtyard of the diwan i khās, a kahar of the ābdār lihāna was hit by it and killed but the other

men remained safe. The Princes, Sultans, and āmirs of the Court and the provinces sent money for tasadduq to the Emperor Hifzullah Khan, son of the late S'adullah Khan, Subahdar of Tatta, died Among the sons of the Khan he was not without ability Khānahzād Khan, son of S'aid Khan Bahādur Shāh-Jahāni, was appointed Subahdār of Tatta and faujdar of Siwistān, at the request of Mu'izzuddin. He was a 2-hazāri (100 tr) and now got an increment of 500 (700 tr) and the title of S'aid Khan. Multafat Khan got the title of Khānahzād Khan Ism'ail Khan Makha became faujdar of Nabishāhdurg He was a 5-hazāri (4000 tr) and now got 1000 tr more Muhatsham Khan son of Shaikh Mir, had been appointed a 2-hazari zāt, he got back a hazār tr which had been reduced Hamidudddin Khan Bahadur got [441] a robe and waist-muttaka, Tarbiyat Khan Mir Atish a robe and saipech Khairandesh Khan Kambuh faujdār of Etāwah, got seven lakhs of dām as m'ām and the faujdāri of Dhāmuni also Chin Qalich Khan Bahādur became faujdār of Karnātak Bijapuri vice M'amur Khan, a 4-hazāri (3,000 tr) before, he now got an increment of 600 tr

News came to the Emperor from the subah of Ahmadābād that Shujā'et Khan Muhammad Beg, the nāzim, had died on the 16th June, 1701/20th Muharram He was a wonderfully fortunate man, as he rose from a low position to the dignity of an amir He was an upright and efficient officer, an able general and administrator, never committing any blunder, and possessing many noble qualities 'Arshad Khan, diwan of Khalsa, died

'INĀYETULLAH KHAN BECAME DIWĀN OF TAN AND KHALSA

'Ināyetullah Khan, ın addıtıon to hıs post of dıwān of tan, got the post of diwan of Khalsa vice the deceased was a 1½-hazārı (150 tr), and now got 100 tr more 'Umdat-ul-mulk Asad Khan, who had been summoned from the base to the imperial army, had audience on Thursday, the 28th August/4th Rabı Š, Lutfullah Khan was transferred from the subahdāri of Bijapur to that of Aurangābād and by an increment of 500 tr became a 3-hazāri (2,500 tr)

^{*}The MS here adds the following words which have been omitted in the printed text —"The people of the subah acknowledge his miracle-working power and read the fātiha on his tomb" For an account of this officer's able administration, see Sarkar's History of Aurangzib, V Ch 58, Sec 3-7

Abu Nasar Khan [442] son of Shāista Khan was restored to his rank of 2½ hazāri (1000 tr) and got the subahdar ship of Mālwa vice Mukhtar Khan and an increment of 500 (1,500 tr). The Emperor issued a farmān on Shāh 'Alijāh, who by command had formed his chhausii at Dhār in Mālwa, to march to Ahmadabād as Subahdār. As I have finished briefly narrating the events of the whole year, I shall turn to the account of the Emperor's march from Nabishāhdurg towards Khatāv.

Account of the conquest of Sādiqgarh Nāmgir Miftah and Maftuh * * * * * * The Emperor who had stayed for some time in the environs of Parnālā in order to capture it, started for Khatāv for the benefit of the people, as the abundance of provision in that place would give comfort to the creatures of God and also the report of the march of the imperial army would lead to the recovery of forts Wardhan garh, Nāmgir and Chandan and Wandan from the hands of the infidels [448] With this view, the army started on Thursday the 29th May, 1701/2nd Muharram

Fathullah Khan who had been created a Bahadur in reward of his splendid services was ordered to go with an advanced detachment and put down the rebellious infidels The Khan hastening, struck at the waist of the hill garrison of all the four forts, and slew a number of the enemy and seized innumerable cattle and prisoners. On seeing this feat and the arrival of the army, the garrison of Wardan garlı saved their lives by flight, leaving the fort empty on the 6th June/10th Muharram As the Khan Bahadur s name was Muhammad Sadiq the fort was renamed Sadiq garh On Monday the 23rd June/27th Muharram the Emperor ordered his tents to be pitched in the environs of the fort, which is two los from Khatāv for the purpose of chhauni From this place he sent the Khan Bahadur with a large force under the command of Bakhshi ul mulk Bahramand Khan to conquer Nandgir In ten or twelve days, the quadar of Nandgir in fear of his life interviewed that great minister, and surrendered the key to the Khan Bahadur [444] and the fort was renamed Namgir, on account of the renowned (chiefs) having turned to its con quest From this place the Muslim army started for the conquest of Chandan and Wandan, which were renamed Miftah and Maftuh First Chandan was besieged and in a short time the garrison begged for quarters Next fort

Wandan, a first-rate fort, was encircled by the army arrison had no recourse except to beg for safety On-Monday, the 6th October, 1701 they evacuated the fort

These four strong forts were conquered not in four

months [445] but in four days

In the course of this time, Umdat-ul-mulk Asad Khan came by command from the base to the Court and had audience Ghāziuddin Khan Firuz Jang arrived from Berar and was appointed to guard the base Mukarram Khan, who had taken to a life of retirement on a pension, came from Delhi to see the Emperor, and after a few days was given leave to return to his place of pious retreat

Capture of Khelnā and other events [pp 446-447] * *

The Emperor turned to the conquest of this (Khelna) fort - For this purpose the army started from the neighbourhood of the fort of Sādiggarh on the 7th November, 1701/ 16th Jamad S, and reached the environs of Malkapur in twelve stages On account of the roads from this place to the Amba-ghat being difficult to traverse and for the purpose of removing obstacles and intricacies, there was a halt of seven days (here) Bidar Bakht, who at the time of returning from Nabishāhdurg [448] had been given leave to pass the rainy season near Hukri, and Gokak and the neighbouring tract, and had conquered many of the forts of the infidels in a short time, was now ordered to come to 'see' fort Khelna with his troops by way of Borgaon, and having burnt many villages and wadis on the way, met the Emperor at this stage Owing to unseasonable rain, all sorts of hardship were borne at this unpleasant place last through the agency of Fathullah Khan Bahadur, came the joyful news of the roads being cleared and this distance of four kos which was extremely hard to pass, was traversed by the army with its abundant baggage with the greatest ease.

On Saturday, the 6th December, 1701/16th Rajab, the skirt of a hill, which on account of the spaciousness of its open space and the elevation of the ground was suitable for the residence of the army, was fixed upon as the quarters of the troops. As Khelnä is three and a half kos from it, and the imperial army had not passed through this region

^{*} Hukeri and Gokak, in the Belgaon district (Bom Gaz xii 567 and 500).

more than two or three times in such large numbers and with such materials (before?), the haughty heads of the inhabitants of that quarter were trampled by the chargers of the imperial army In all the paths of this hilly tract are impregnable forests and dense thorny jungle, at which even the sun dares not look [449] Lofty and stout trees abound on all sides like the wretched infidels. The branches were so intertwined that even an ant could hardly pass through them The path that there was, was difficult even for footmen The defiles and pits were deeply sunk The hills were firmly rooted in the soil. The Khan Bahadur was ordered to remove these difficulties and hindrances from the path Under his supervision and efforts sappers (men with spades and axes) and stone-cutters in one week wonderfully accomplished the work Hills were removed. ups and downs levelled and trees cut down Thus a level road was made broad enough for a hundred horsemen to march abreast easily

On the 23rd December 1701/3rd Sh'aban the Khan Bahadur was presented with a special quiver and sent to guide the imperial army under the command of Umdat ul mulk Madar ul maham Asad Khan and with the co-opera tion of Hamiduddin Khan [450] Bahadur, Mu nim Khan Ikhlas Khan, and Raja Jai Singh, and begin the siege of the fort On the 26th December/6th Shaban Umdat nl mulk was given the title of Amir ul umara, a jewelled dagger, 4000 ashrafi as reward and the honour of Lissing the Emperor's feet, and sent (to the siege) On that day the Khan Bahadur with Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur. Mu'nım Khan and some other brave warriors entered the pass before dawn. As the enemy had strengthened the walls of the towers on it and occupied before hand the hillock overlooking the fort which the Khan Bahadur had kept in view for mounting guns on the Khan turned to them Having posted Hamiduddin Klian Bahadur to guard the ambuscade on the left Fathulla Khan Bahadur himself went to the right side Having extinguished with the wind of valour their first day's fuse he with 13 or 14 men suddenly fell upon the devils without number, and doubled the height of the hillock with the heaps of the slain enemy saw no recourse save in flight. They flung them selves down in bewilderment from the hillock and wanted to run to the fort The Khan Bahadur [461] before he started had sent (some) men armed with jazirahs (long

matchlocks fired from rest) to punish the enemy, and these were staying in the road leading to the fort. The enemy finding this road closed by this measure, fled to the jungle and hid themselves under the trees. At this time another division of the imperialists had arrived close behind (the first), and spreading out captured many of the enemy. The Khan Bahadur sent them into the pit of destruction by tying rocks to their warsts. After this victory, he thought it good generalship to take a firm stand on the hillock Tents were pitched there. In the evening the news reached the Emperor. The Khan Bahādur was rewarded with an mercment of 200 tr., a standard and a jewelled dagger, Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur with a katār, Mu'nim Khan with an Arab horse with gold coated saz (as his horse had been killed) and the Emperor's own food Promotions were given to all the followers (baradari) of the Khan Bahadur The night was spent in entrenching Next day another hillock was captured from which arrows and guns could be shot into the fort. Guns were mounted on the hillock so as to burn and demolish the houses of the A covered lane was commenced [452]

On Sunday, the 11th January, 1702/22nd Shabān, the Emperor went to view the work done and inspect the fort, and ordered the trenches to be pushed on. And on Friday, the 16th January/27th Shabān, he removed his camp from its former position to the plain half a kos from the fort in order to back the front division and expedite the work

CHAPTER XLVI

46TH YEAR OF THE REIGN

19th January, 1702-7th January 1703

On Monday, the 19th January Bidar Bakht, who had been sent to patrol round the base camp and that region, was ordered to turn back and station himself near Nabishāh durg Muhammad Āmin Khan Sadr us sadur was given a promotion of 200 tr and a standard and sent to descend through the pass (kotal) of Āmbā ghāt into Tal Kokan and devastate the enemy's land up to the gate on the further side of Khelnā, and close the path of ingress and egress to the garrison of the fort Tarbiyat Khan by command, sat down at the entrance (mouth) of Āmbā ghāt Muhammad Āmin Khan [453] plundered the parganahs and villages of that tract seized many captives and cattle, and engaged in closing the Kokani gate of the fort

shall now record the deeds of Khan Bahadur Fathullah Khan Having planted guns and jazirahs he boldly carried the (covered) lane up to the ditch situated before the reum of the fort The garrison on their part incessantly fired guns and muskets day and night, and carried away the lives of men of all kinds working in the covered gallery (lane of safety) The Khan Bahadur firmly pursued his work. The lives of friends and foes alike were not worth purchasing at half a grain of barley who had run a concealed lane from the gate of the fort and sat in the rewni for offering opposition on seeing that the Khan Bahādur had made planks (dhābs), arrived in front and wished to mount the ladders -lost their senses and stood perplexed with their faces to the walls *** They destroyed the ladders which had been raised from the midst of the pit to the level ground under the gate. The Khan Bahadur having made ladders out of kajāwahs (camel litter) and fastened dhabs above them, advanced in front of the advancing party

I shall now briefly narrate the deeds of Muhammad Amin Khan He had been sent to close the Kokam gate Having bravely traversed the sky-high hill of Māchāl, [454] he arrived at a hillock opposite the gate overlooking the rewin of Khelnā. The enemy had built stone-walls on it and deep ditches before it. In short, for a time the veil of difficulty covered the face of the progress of the undertaking. On Wednesday, the 4th March, 1702/15th Shawwāl, in utter disregard of life, he climbed the hillock with honour-seeking heroes, expelled the enemy from the redoubt and drove them back to the rewin. Heaps were formed by the slain. The road was closed to the garrison and victory was gained. The Emperor on hearing of it gave the title of Bahādur to the Khan and sent him a dhup (Deccani sword), a robe, and a farmān. His comrades got suitable promotion, swords, waist-daggers, horses, elephants, and robes

The Emperor in his foresight summoned Bidar Bakht from Nabishāhdurg, and ordered him [455] to attempt the conquest of the fort from the side of the Kokanı gate, with his own troops and those of Raja Jai Singh, the defender of the trenches of Fathullah Khan Bahadur, and a few thousand infantry sent by Yāqut Khan, collector (mutasaddi) of Dandā Rājpuri He began to run trenches and overthrow towers and battlements by cannonade Muhammad Amın Khan Bahādur was recalled to the Emperor on account of illness Although Fathullah Khan Bahadur with great exertion fastened dhabs to the extremely hard rock and reached the waist of the tower, and ran lanes from all sides, * * ' yet the success of the work did not come in sight at all Inspite of the severe bombardment by the shots of the guns, Sher-dahan and Kark-bijli, which could split hills, only a few stones were loosened from the tower The enemy ceased not to shower incessently matwālahs weighing 100 maunds and 200 maunds Some nights they made sorties and fell on the trenches The Khan Bahādur personally fought to resist them One day he was himself helping the labourers in binding the $dh\bar{a}bs$, when a stone fell from above on a plank 16 fingers' breadth in width, and broke it to pieces Khan being hit on the head by it rolled down a long distance and at last reached the edge of the Kajāwah, which arrested his descent and saved his life His waist and (some) other limbs were severely bruised. After a month he was able to leave his bed, had audience, received a special saipech, and returned to his work He was [456] planning to make a feint and assault the fort from the side of another tower, when through the exertions of Bidar Bakht the newni of the

fort was captured on the 27th April, 1702/10th Zil H, which meant in effect that the fort of Khelna was conquered In this assault Raja Jai Singh and his men did splendid ser vice At the breaking down of this barrier the enemy lost their composure of mind, even though they were as numerous as (the armies of) Gog and Magog * * * The Shāhzada was rewarded with a jewelled sarpech, the Raja with the increment of 500 zat (2 hazār tr) and other heroes with promotion and favours Asadullah, son of Saifullah Khan, who used to travel on the roads with great speed and bring intelligence was given his father's title The Shah zada (was) ordered to carry the guns forward and batter down the gate of the fort-which was not so very strong high and hard to open as the gate on Fathullah Khan Bahadur s side But what shall I write of the severity of the rain which fell incessantly and fast gallopping like a two horsed trooper without let or hindrance and ran for 10 and even 20 days at a time without opening the eyes or raising the head? But inspite of all this the warriors of both the [457] trenches moved with the speed of the wind sarsar as they had no fear of the enemy so they paid no beed to this cruel calamity Tathullah Khan in spite of the road for assault not being prepared, the dhabs (planks) having fallen down and confusion having overtaken the work determined that if he had to make an assault he should at once climb the wall with the speed of wind and thunder Parashuram on seeing all these preparations for his ruin, sent to the Prince some Brahmans to make certain requests and to offer to surrender the fort. A few days were spent in carrying messages to and fro, through the media tion of Bakhshi ul mulk Ruhullah Khan and Fazāil Khan bayutāt who had been deputed by the Emperor At last His Majesty granted no prayer except this that he and the garrison would go out with their lives On Thursday the 4th June/19th Muharram Parashuram planted with his own hands the flags of the Shahzada and the Bakhshi ul mulk and on Sunday the 7th June 1702/22nd Muharram, he came out under the veil of the darkness of night. By the Emperor s command none hindered him * * *

[458] The Emperor renamed Khelna as Sakhkharlana (=God made hell subject to us) The hills and soil of this

Dw-dspa-a trooper who carries a spare horse with him and can therefore always travel very fast

tract are wonderful: there is (as it were) no trace of hill or land, you see only herbs and flowers. Those who want to behold God's skill will find nothing so appropriate for their purpose as this gaiden-like hill and plain. There is not a tree that does not confer some benefit. It has no flower that does not charm the brain with its smell. Every grain of this wide plain can supply the revenue of countries from its finits and aromatic roots; every particle of its dust attracts the heart

On Wednesday, the 10th June, 1702/25th Muharram, the Emperor visited the fort by way of the trenches of Fathullah Khan Bahadur, Zābit Khan with sufficient materials was made its qıladar Its face is very strong it has no buildings, gaidens or reservoirs that excel those of other forts or can please the mind As it is a frontier fort and the vast kingdoms of Bālāghāt and Pāinghāt (Talkokan) were annexed to the Empire through its conquest, and as Emperors have a thousand secret political reasons for every affair, therefore its conquest [459] was regarded as a great victory Next day the Shahzada was rewarded with one lakh of rupees as $m'\bar{a}m$, by the Emperor in greatness of joy, and sent towards Hukri and Rāibāgh to form his encampment Fathullah Khan Bahādur was rewarded with a jewelled ngha and the addition of 'Alamgushāhi to his title Ruhullah Khan and Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur each received an increment of 200 tr Khānahzād Khan, a 2hazānı (400 tr), close to the Emperor's person, got an increment of 500 tr and an elephant Mu'nım Khan became dārogha of filkhāna and was promoted to be a hazānı (300 tr) 'Abdullah Khan, (co1) brother of Khwāja Lutfullah (an old servant of the days of Princeship), the dismissed qıladaı of Agra, was removed from his rank of 2-hazaıı (1,000 tr), for some reasons Mir Ābul Wafā, grandson of Ziāuddin Khan deceased, elder brother of Khānahzād Khan, was made dānogha of jā-namāz-khāna in addition to his former post, vice Fath Muhammad Qul, the deceased old servant The fineness of understanding and ingenuity of intellect which was innate in his fertile genius, displayed itself in the Emperor's Court in a short time One instance of the brilliance of his genius was this A letter was received by the Emperor from Muhammad Mu'azzam Bahādur Shāh written in cypher (khatt-i-ramz) As it could not be deciphered, the Emperor handed his private memorandum-book over to the Mir saying [460] "I have left (undeciphered) two or three obscure hints (ramz) of this letter Compare them with these and extract the meaning." The Mir, guided by his penetrating sight and quick moving brain, brought that puzzling ramz out of the veil of obscurity into the light of deciphering and writing out the purport of the Prince's letter in full, showed it to the Emperor The Emperor praised him and formed a high opinion of his capa city. He was rewarded for this with a mohar weighing 50 mohars 500 rupees, and an addition of 20 tr., to his rank by which he became a 4-sadi (30 tr.)

On the 18th February, 1702/1st Shawwal the 'Id ul fitr was celebrated as usual As the Amir ul umarā was ill the Emperor graciously ordered that he would issue from the inner side of the hall of justice which was henceforth ordered to be designated "the hall of the oppressed", enter the passage and sit down in the kathra at a distance of one zir'a from the steps of the huira (cell) For three days he sat there and afterwards stood as before Inavetullah Khan was presented with an elephant Mukhtar Khan nazim of Agra a 21 hazārı got an increment of 500 Tarbiyat Khan Mir Atish, a 3 hazāri (500 tr), got 500 more Diānat Khan mutasadds of the port of Surat by an increment of 500 be came a 2 hazarı (150 tr) On the 27th April 1702 occurred the 'Id uz zuha On Tuesday the 25th August/19th Rabi S,* screens were set up round a tent containing the prophet's relics [461] The Emperor acquired blessing by making a pilgrimage (ziārat) and keeping vigil there Inci dentally he learnt that a person had come within the gulal bar in a palk: An order was issued that none should come ın a pālkı except the Amır ul umara, Bahramand Khan Ruhullah Khan Khanahzad Khan and Hamiduudin Khan Bahādur Azızullah Khan Qurbegi was made qıladar of Qandahar (within the Deccan) vice Sazawar Khan hazārı (800 tr), he got an increment of 200 tr Bidār Bakht was ordered to guard Aurangābād Lutfullah Khan nāzım of that place was sent as Subahdar of Berar as deputy (naib) of Khan Firuz Jang But before reaching the place he died He was endowed with learning and great bravery and repeatedly did excellent service, and spent most of his life in high offices at the Court or in commanding troops outside On Thursday the 5th November/25th Jamad S, Bahra wand Khan Mir Bakhshi brother's son of Ja'far Khan,

On the 11th Rabi S Shaikh Abdul Qadir Oliani died on the 12th Rabi. A the Prophet passed away

son-in-law of the Amir-ul-umara died of paralysis By command Kām Bakhsh condoled with the Amir-ul-umarā and brought him to Court The Emperor soothed his wounded heart with consolatory words, and presented him with a special robe and a jewelled sarpech. The deceased Khan was a noble possessed of dignity, modesty, grandeur, purity of nature, gracious looks and amiability Zulfiqar Khan Bahādur Nasrat Jang became Mır Bakhshi vice the deceased [462] Khudābanda Khan became faujdār of Karnatak-Bijapuri vice Chin Qalich Khan being restored to his former post. Muhammad Yar Khan nāzim of Delhi, became faujdar of Moradabad, and by an increment of 500 (same tr.) was raised to the rank of 3½-hazān (300 tr), and presented with kettledrums As Mun'im Khan had shown delay in going to reinforce Muhammad Amin Khan, he was punished with decrease of 200 zāt (50 tr) and removal from the post of (dārogha of) filkhānàh, Hamıduddın Khan Bahādur getting that post and an increment of 500 zāt (250 tr) to his rank of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -hazārı (850 tr.) Although I had numerous offices and was appointed to write urgent secret orders, yet the post of munshi of the nazārat was added to them The post of newswriter was conferred on my son Hāfiz Muhammad Muhasan vice myself.

News came to the Emperor from Delhi that Zebunnisā Begam had died The Emperor was so saddened by the news as to shed tears, but had to resign himself to God's will Order was sent to Sayyid Āmjad Khan, Shaikh 'Atāullah, and Hāfiz Khan (Nur Muhammad) to give alms (for the benefit of her soul) and build her tomb in the appointed place, namely the Garden of Thirty-thousand (Tis Hazāii), which was a legacy from Jahānārā.

[463] Return of the Emperor from Sakhkharlanā to Bahādurgarh and some other events

On Wednesday, the 10th June, 1702/25th Muharram, the imperial army set out towards Bahādurgarh. One can imagine how very long a time the army took to cross, in the midst of this heavy and incessant rain, the pass (kotal) which it had traversed in many days even in dry weather. Of the baggage-animals, the camels refused to set foot on this path, the elephants began to carry the loads of the camp in a dazed condition, but through the inclemency of

the weather sank into the mud like donkeys *** * What was (to be) undergone was undergone Porters carried on their heads the property and baggage of all the men (of the army) * * * * [464] Rich men, reposing in the paradise of comfort, somehow or other arrived at the foot of the kotal which was the first halting place Owing to the non arrival of the stores (kārkhanazāt), the imperial army had to delay The Emperor ordered the things to be entrusted to the com mandant of Sakhkharlana After seven days the forward march was resumed The nullah in the way permitted the imperial cortege to pass, and then opened its mouth to devour the people For some time a halt had to be made here Whosoever was drowned was drowned, and he whom fate saved was saved As the march for the next stage was re newed the same nullah was encountered It was a strange fraud of the deceitful (nullah) that it first cunningly allowed the passage of the advance tents of the Emperor and other owners of advance tents, and afterwards ran like a rash horse, making all people utterly helpless. The owners of elephants with much persuasion and coaxing rescued from the nullah their usurped property Others could only cry
Alas! and strike their foreheads At last at a distance of one kos the Emperor took the left side road to Malkapur In this stage a nullah obstructed the path without heeding the lamentations of the people * * * In this evil time grain sold at a rupee a seer fodder and firewood appeared only by mistake. The helpless people died from the heavy ruin Having trodden their property underfoot, the men passed their time in peace of mind [465] and wondered at the hardness of their lives

One day Muzaffar, a mansabdar of the Emperor s own retinue, interviewed His Majesty during his journey. After alighting at the mansion the Emperor addressed Hamid uddin Khan Bahādur, saying Dilarām was a slave girl (parastar) of long service, after bringing up (her) daughter she had married her to Muzaffar who to-day came under my notice during the journey as a whitebearded man. Have the

couplet

Fix your heart on the Heart's Delight (Dilaram) that you have,

Withdraw your eyes from the rest of the world "

and this hemistich 'You will be unique if you be devoted to one , written in a large hand and carving them on a

stone-slab, bring them to me" The Khan carried out the order in a few days and presented the piece to the Emperor who said "Give this stone-slab to Muzaffar to carry it to Delhi and fix it on the tomb of the deceased Dilaram" Five hundred rupees were presented to him. An order was issued to the clerks of Delhi to give a tankhwa (assignment) on the revenue of the province for one year's salary to the After two years when he returned to the Emperor hegot his full and standard (kamāl) salary and an increment of 50 zāt. ·

[466] On Saturday, the 4th July, 1702/19th Safar, the Emperor crossed the nullah on an elephant and pitched his tent at a distance of one kos from it. He got a place to sit down in the hujia (small room or recess) of the 'adalat The Prince and other grandees had not even the power to stand in their tents. His Majesty, patient as a mountain, spacious as the ocean, used frequently to say, "A little cloud is showering rain, a little wind is blowing. Why then have the people been seized with despair?" He encouraged them by repeating the (Qurānic) verses, "O ye who believe! seek help with the patients and with prayer, for God is with the patient But ye understand not With a little fear and hunger, and loss of wealth and lives and fruits, will we surely prove you! but bear good tidings to the patient, who when a misfortune happens to them say, 'Verily, we are God's and to Him shall we return'

Ah! After a few days of darkness, the sun broke forth again and cheered the people

On Sunday, the 26th July, 1702/12th Rabi A, when the labouring army after traversing fourteen kos [467] in one month and 17 days, reached the foot of fort Nabishahdurg (Panhālā), the sun again shone in the former manner The men in need of food began to stir, and appetite and avarice again prevailed. The chill passed away from the mind Porters ran on all sides A load descended from the heads and necks of the people

The men lagging behind, in a condition which may no man ever see! came up limping On Wednesday, the 29th July/15th Rabi A, the imperial camp reached Vadgaon +

of the Varna

^{*} Qurān, 11 150-151 A warning to the faint-hearted in the Prophet's army, uttered before the battle of Bedr or that of Ohod
† Vadgaon, 13 miles east of Panhala, and 4 miles south of the right bank

After a stay of one month and eight days, it set out for Bahādurgarh. On Sunday, the 6th September/24th Rabi S, although the run did not cease and news came of the flood in the Krishnā river, these difficulties could not deflect the Emperor from his purpose Covering nine kos in sixteen days of march and halt the whole army reached the river bank. The river was violent and way. The army began to cross in boats [468] In this state of hardship half the army crossed over in ten days. The Emperor embarked to cross to the other bank. The imperial camp stayed for twenty days more on the opposite bank, till the whole army had crossed in safety.

Hence he marched by stages to As adnagar, where he halted a few days, and then encamped at Bahadurgarh. In travelling through these (last) stages the Emperor gazed on a road four kos from beginning to end in length bordered on both sides by the paraphernalia of the army of Ghāzi uddin Khan Bahādur Firuz Jang. The Khan had sent from the base of Islāmpur his mahalla (troops for review) with splendid equipment and decorations and material exceeding the means of a high grandee and guns above the allowance of a general, and abundant peshkash of every kind. Among them a short sword was accepted by the Emperor and named

the Young Ghāzi Much of the artillery was confiscated to the State The Emperor issued an order that the āmirs should not keep more guns than those allowed It is proper to give here a copy of the sentences written by the Emperor himself, according to which a By order letter [469] was written to Bidār Bakht, 'The mahalla which Khan Firuz Jang a 7 hazāri showed in his quarters, contained guns, gaṇal shutarnāl ghornāl and all (other) things, as many as he ought to maintain according to his mansab, nay more than what ought to be kept by a general in addition to what had been placed under him by the Government Why do you, who are getting double his salary waste your money and spend it without any use (in return for it)? The doing of what is required of us as a duty, is in itself an evidence of perfection. Verse—Only a little of life is left and yet the master of the house is senseless with pride!'

CHAPTER XLVII.

47TH YEAR OF THE REIGN. 1114 A H

8th January, 1703—27th December, 1704.

Conquest of fort Kondānā. On Thursday, the 3rd December, 1702/24th Rajab, the army set out for the conquest of Kondānā and on Sunday, the 27th Dec /18th Shabān arrived at the foot of the fort

[470] Muhammad 'Azım, the Subahdar or Bengal, got ın addition the Subahdarı of Bihar, vice Shamshir Khan, who became Subahdār of Mu'azzamābād Oudh tion of $500 z\bar{a}t$ unconditionally in each case was given to Najābat Khan, Subahdār of Burhānpur and faujdār of Baglana, a 2-hazānı (1500 tr), Shiv Singh qıladar Rāiri, a hazāri (same tr) and Sarāndāz Khan, nāib of the subah of Berār on behalf of Khan Firuz Jang, a 1\frac{1}{2}-hazāri (500 tr) Muhtasham Khan became qıladar of Naldurg vice Qasım Khan, Bidar Bakht the nazım of the subah of Aurangābād became Subahdār of Khāndesh (in addition?) A 15-hazārı (10-hazār tr), he got an increment of 2-hazār Nasrat Jang Khan was sent to punish the enemy near Burhanpur, and rewarded with a jewelled muttakā and four elephants Sultan Muhi-us-sunnat, son of Kām Bakhsh, got the rank of 7-hazā11 (2,000 tr), a standard and kettledrums Mu'ızzuddın, Subahdar of Multan and Tatta was rewarded for his exertions in extinpating the turbulent Bakhtiār, by the sending of a royal letter, a robe, a jewelled dagger, and praise He was a 12-hazāri (8-hazār tr) and now received an increment of 2-hazāi tr and a reward of ten lakhs of dam [471] Chin Qalich Khan Bahadur got the Subahdarı of Bıjapur, a sarpech, and a horse, and his son an elephant and a horse as reward Kam Bakhsh was sent with a robe and a jewelled sarpech to bring Zinat-unnısā Begam from İslāmpurı to Bahādurgarh Sadr-us-sadur Muhammad Amın Khan was appointed under him Saturday, the 13th March, 1703/6th Zil Q, the retired

Fazul Khan,* son of Wazir Khan, (Mir Haji), Mir Munshi, Bayutat and deputy Khin 1 saman, died Virtues and accomplishments were the upper garment of this expert one of our times He used to say about himself, "The man is present Where is the work?" The Emperor said about him "He used to discharge the duties of deputy Khān i sim in in such a way as almost to illuminate my house' 'Abdur Rahim son of Fazil Khan deceased, who came to Court from Delhi after his fither's death, got the post of bayutat, the title of Khan and increase of rank. The Emperor said "Fazil Khan 'Ala ul mulk and Fazil Khan (Burhanuddin) have great claims on me for their services I shall cherish and bring up this house hold servant" And he too had great expacity and worth. But he died in a few days in the bloom of youth. And as none was left of this family except Zifuddin brother's son and (own) son in law of Fazil Khan Burhanuddin, he was summoned to Court from the diwani of the country of Chinapatan [472], given an increment of rank the title of Khan and the post of bu utat The good services and ability of Fathullah Khan Bahadur in conquering forts and punishing the enemi are so much in circulation in the mouths of people that there is no need to record them here. He had set his heart on being appointed to Kabul and had often requested the Emperor about it, on Friday the 28th May 1703/29rd Muharram his desire was granted. He got an increment of 500 to his rank of 24 hazari (1 000 tr) and started for Kabul in great joy, Muhammad Quli newly arrived from Persia (ulāyet) got a hazāri (100 tr) the title of Khan

Muliä Ma-ul-mulk Tuni Fäzil Khan I flife in VI L ill 524) one of the most learned Persian emigrouts to India died in June 1633 only sixteen da) a after being appointed High Diwan His brother's son named Barhänmed-in came to India about this time and was emolled in the Delhi Government service being created QMA Khan Ilin 8d Khan (Dec. 1674) and finally Fazil Khan III fin Nov 1683) He held the posts of Khān-Samān (1688-1697) and Subahdār of Kashmir (1697-Oct 1700) dving on the way at Darhänpar when coming to Court. (His life, in Mr Jil 3-33) In 1703 lids son Abdur Kahim was appointed bayutāt vice Fazili Khan deceased, fleelos?

⁽Missish) Khan was originally Mir Hādi the son of Waur Khan Mir Hāji the diwān of Prince Mahammad Kram, and a disciple of the scholar-samt Shalkh Abdul Azir of Agra. [His life in M U iii 38-40] Purpolled in the service of Prince Mishammad Aram over whom he acquired very great influence after his Shalkh's death in April 1678. After having been detained at Agra without employment or liberty for many years from 1683 (probably because the Emperor suspected him of inclining the Prince towards the Shia creed) he was called to the Hupperor's Court appointed Chief-Secretary (Mir Missish) keeper of the imperial library deputy Khān-i-Sāmān and beyulfit, with the title of Fazili Khān He died on 13 March 1703 There was no connection between this Fazili Khān and the two Fāzili Khāns shore

a robe, and 2,000 rupees. Khwāja Muhammad, who had got the title of Amanat Khan got the faujdarı of Sangamner in addition to his faujdāri of Bijapur, and an elephant To the wife of 'Abdul Khāliq Arab, Imām of the Court, five jewels were presented Iradat Khan, qil'adar of Gulbarga, a hazāri (700 tr), got an increment of 300 tioopers Bakhshi-ul-mulk Ruhullah Khan got a jasper inkpot Ziāullah Khan, son of 'Ināyetullah Khan, became diwān of Agra Bakhshı-ul-mulk Mırzā Sadruddın Muhammad Khan, was presented with an elephant, a horse, and a robe, and sent to guard the base at Bahādurgarh. A 2½-hazān (800 tr), he got an increment of 500 (250 tr) Raja Shāhu, son of Sambhā, was presented with an arsi having a ruby set in it, a gold punchhi set with diamond, five jewelled rings [473], a jewelled dagger, and a horse with gold saz Fath Daulat Qul conveyed Shāhu to Kām Bakhsh, by command The Prince gave him a robe and an arsi as reward order, the tent of Raja Shāhu was pitched near the mansion of Kām Bakhsh Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur, dārogha of the diwan-1-khas, presented a wooden bangla fit for sitting on in the "Court of the oppressed" An increment of 500 (300 tr) was made to his rank of 3-hazāni (1,700 tr) Mir Khan, son of Amir Khan deceased, had gone to Aurangābād for marrying the daughter of Bahramand Khan, he interviewed and presented costly articles set with (murass'a) A robe was given him Madan Singh, brother of Raja Shāhu, came from the base and had audience, according to command Prince 'Alijah got the subahdari of Ajmir in addition to that of Ahmadabad A 40-hazāri (30,000 tr), he got an increment of 10-hazār tr Udwat Singh, giladar of Sakhkharlana, a 3-hazarı (1.200 tr.), got an increment of conditional and unconditional 500 (300 tr) Siādat Khan, son of Siādat Khan Ughlān, a 2-hazāri (200 tr), got an inciement of 500 (same tr) Ghālib Khan son of Rustam Khan Sharzā Bijapuri, a 3½-hazāni (3 000 tr.), got promoted by 500 (same tr) Alahdad Khan Khweshgi became faujdār of Mandla (?) vice Rahmāndād Khan hazān [474] (500 tr.) he was promoted by 500 (same tr) Chin Qalich Khan Bahādur, Subahdar of Bijapur, was appointed fauidar of Talkokan Adılkhanı, 'Azamnagar Belgaon, and thanadar of Sanpgaon, vice Saif Khan. 4-hazāni (3,000 tr), he got an increment of a hazār tr and a k101 of dam as reward Niaz Khan was appointed his deputy, getting an increment of 500 tr. to his rank of 500

(300 tr) Khānahzād Khan, close to the Emperor's person,

was given the title of Mir

After having done the recording of certain events of this year. I shall now narrate the conquest of Kondana and other events The Emperor ordered his soldiers to mount the hill under the command of Tarbiyat Khan, Mir Atish and fire on the besieged The Khan mounted (big) guns on a hillock opposite the tower of this tall fort, and for some time engaged in burning the enemy and demolishing their towers and battlements so that the beastly enemy were driven out of their grazing ground On Thursday the 8th April, 1703/2nd Zil H, this and other forts capitu It was renamed Bakhshenda Bakhsh Truly it is so strong a fort that no amount of exertion but only the Giver's gift could have led to its conquest. As the rainy season was impending and the difficulty of the road extreme. [475] in view of the fact that the Emperor's aim was restricted to the conquest of fort Raigarh it was decided to pass the rainy season at Muhiabad Puna and afterwards pursue the object On Saturday, the 24th April 1703/18th Zil H the return march to that place was ordered and it was reached on Saturday, the 1st May/25th Zil H

I shall narrate an incident of this period which shows the Emperor's regard for his servants recognition of ment, and attention to the rules governing men and perfect

justice

At the time of the imperial camp alighting at Punā by chance the quarters of the Āmir ul umarā were located on a low land and those of 'Ināyetullah Khan, nāzim of Khalsa and tan on a higher tract. After some time when the Khan had enclosed the land adjoining the quarters of his harem, Vasant, eunuch of the Āmir ul umarā, sent a man to say "Get out of this place the nawwāb's tent will be pitched here." The Khan sent reply. Very well, please wait till I have found some other spot in this misl, in which I have to take up (my) quarters." The eunuch gave a rude answer The Khan removed his tent to another place in the same neighbourhood, and the Āmir ul umarā's tent was set up there. From the news sheet of Ikhlāskesh, news writer of the kachan. [476] of the diwān, this matter came to the Emperor's knowledge. He immediately ordered Hamduld din Khan Bahādur to go and tell the Āmir ul umarā, "It was not done well. You should go to your former place or some other spot. The man who had set up his tent before,

should remain in his own place". The Khan conveyed the order The Amir-ul-umarā delayed in consenting to it The Khan Bahādur leaving him there went in a friendly manner to 'Ināyetullah Khan's house and narrated the occurrence, saying 'It is better that you should go to Amir-ul-umara and say that you have got another place and that you don't wish him to change his quarters." 'Inayetullah Khan said "You went to the Amir-ul-umara by command How can I go to him without order?" The Khan Bahādur on coming to the Emperor reported the whole affair Next day when the Amir-ul-umara came to His Majesty at the time of holding Court, the Emperor ordered Ihtamam Khan Qul to take the Amır-ul-umara to 'Inayetullah Khan and make him beg pardon for what had occurred Asad Khan had not so many lives that he could disobey the order now He submitted and carried out the order Amir Khan sent me to convey this message to 'Inayetullah Khan 'Such an order has been issued it is advisable that you should quickly petition the Emperor to postpone the visit of the Amir-ul-umarā 'My going at ınıd-day and the visit of the Amir-ul-umarā to the Khan's house happened at the same time My message remained undelivered By chance 'Inayetullah Khan was at his bath The Amir-ul-umara came and sat down in the diwankhānah in which the carpet had not been yet spread The Khan quickly came out, the Amir-ul-umara took his hand, 10se, and riding brought him to his own house [477] He presented one $th\bar{a}n$ of cloth by way of welcoming to the Khan and never to the end of the period of their being together did he in any way express complaint or displeasure (against the Khan) but increased his favours and attempts to please Such men have lived under the sky and passed the stages of their lives in this excellent manner!

After a stay of six months and eighteen days, inspite of famine on account of drought, death of the poor, lamentation of the weak, the disappearance of wheat, vetch and rice, the filling of Shahganj (royal market) to the brim with the groans of the stricken beggars, the Emperor's resolution would not turn back, let the celestial firmament turn back if it will! So, on Wednesday, the 10th November, 1703/12th Rajab, the army marched out for the conquest of Rajgarh. Four kos from this fort is a kotal reaching

Puna? according to Khafi-Khan,

up to the sky. Although for two months labourers had been working hard to level the ups and downs yet when can the looks of earthly men rise to the sky, and where can the hand of the celestials be equalled by that of the terrestrials? * * * In seven days the army crossed the pass, and after [478] passing one more stage, arrived on Sunday the 28th November/30th Rajab, at the narrow plain at the foot of the fort

Fort Rajgarh is a hill second only to the fort of the towered sky

Its circuit is twelve kos Imagination cannot estimate its height. Its thorny jungles and spectre haunted chasms can be traversed only by the wind. Nothing can descend on it except rain! In former days, the 'Adilkhani kings possessed it. The infernal Shivā after jaining possession of Rājgarh] made terraces on three sides around it on a lower level [māchi] and there built three strong forts namely Suvelā and Padmavati situated towards Kokan uplands, and Sanjivani on the side of Kokan lowlands he thus made its capture by any enemy impossible. On Thursday, the 2nd December 1703/4th Shabān, the Emperor issued orders that under the supervision of Hamid uddin Khan Bahādur and management of Tarbiyat Khan, Mir Atish, the army should begin the attack on the fort

[470] The infidel now in hell (namely Shiyāji) had formed a triangular enclosure which is called a sund (7 clephant's trunk) in the language of military fortification by erecting two thick walls from the postern gate (wicket) of the fort of Padmäwat to the end of the hillock and making these two walls meet at a point. Below both of these (walls) the path declines so sharply and is so full of shippery holes that no one can pass there on foot. At the junction of the two walls. Shivā had built an even stronger tower which opened upon the back of the hillock opposite to it. Here he had collected war materials.

As the apex of this tower is thirty virds in height straight as a stretched rope, the two active generals told off by the Emperor for the attack working from the side of Padmäwat built a raised battery lofts as a hill opposite this tower and carried the work up to the sang chin (protective bulwark of loose stones round the raised platform) While this work was being pushed on, although the garrison erected batteries of their own, they did not succeed (in stopping the imperialists) Our thundering guns, which were planted at certain points to demolish the forttowers and walls, did havoc to them in many places

CHAPTER ALVIII

48TH YEAR OF THE REIGN 1115 A H

28th December, 1703-16th December, 1704

A marriage was settled between Hedayetullah Klian, son of 'Inayetullah Khan and the daughter of Muhammad Afzal, son of Faizullah Khan deceased [480] The Emperor presented him with a robe and a horse. Shamshir Beg, grandson of Aghar Khan was married to the daughter of (Rājā) Rām The bridegroom was presented with three tewelled rings and a robe Taqi Khan, grandson of Bahramand Khan, was married to a daughter of Shaista Khan he was presented with ornaments worth 5 000 rupees Shaista Khan became faujdar and giladar of Mandu vice Nawazish Khan, son of Islam Khan Rumi Mir Ahmad Khan, diwan of the establishment of Bidar Bakht Bahadur was appointed deputy Subahdar of Khandesh Rustam Khan Sharzā Bijapuri who was naib-Subahdar of Berar on behalf of Khan Firuz Jang and had been captured in battle with Nimā [Sindhia], secured his release and returned to the Khan from his rank of 7 hazārı (same tr) a hazār (same tr) was reduced Id ul fitr occurred on the 27th January, 1704/1st Shawwal 1115 Raja Neknam was married to the daughter of (Raja) Ram and presented with a robe Padāji, thānadār of Buddha Panchgaon, son of Shivaji's uncle, was a 21 hazārı (1500 tr), he now got un increment of 500 zat Sarfaraz Khan had been removed from his rank for an offence, at Kam Bakhsh's request he was restored to the mansab of 6-hazāri (5 hazār tr) Saif Khan, son of Saif Khan Faqırullah the dismissed qıladar of Belgaon, became naib-Subahdar of Bijapur on behalf of Chin Qalich Khan Bahadur [481] Mukhlis Khan who was formerly Mut agad Khan was sent to Agra as qıladar Fıruz Jang Khan was rewarded for his punishment of Nima, with the title of Sipahsālar, an increment of 2-hazār tr which made him a 7 hazārı (10-hazār tr.) and a kror of dām as ın'ām Muhammad Amin Khan Bahadur a 3 hazārı (1000 tr) got an increment of 500 zāt (200 tr) Dilir Khan an officer under Firuz Jang Khan, à 7 hazāri (same tr.), got 500 tr added to his rank Sipahdar Khan nazim of Allahabad a

4-hazān (3,000 tr.), was newarded for the chastisement of Mahābat, zamındār of Jaunpur, with an increment of 500 tr Hāmid Khan Bahadur, brother of Khan Firuz Jang, a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -hazān (1500 ti), got an increment of 500 zāt (200 tr). Raja Indra Singh, a 3-hazān (2-hazān tr.) got an increment of 500 zāt, Rahimuddin Khan biother of Khan Firuz Jang, a hazān (250 tr) got 500 zāt (100 tr) more Sayyid Husain, successor at the tomb of Mir Sayyid Muhammad Gisudarāz, was presented with a jewelled dagger and a horse with gold sāz Khidmatgāi Khan Khwāja Tālib, nāzīr of the Empeior's haiem, died at the base after a period of illness from paralysis. The Empeior had received him from Shāh Nawāz Khan as part of his wife's dowry, he was an old good-natured servant Murhamat Khan son of Āmir Khan deceased, [482] a hazān (250 tr), got an increment of 150 troopers.

Kamgār Khan, dismissed Subahdār of Orissā, came to Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur who received the blessed cap of Miān 'Abdul Latif, and Tarbiyat Khan a dagger, were sent to chastise the enemy spread near the rivei Ghod nadi Mun'im Khan who had become diwan of the establishment of the Crown Prince vice Muhammad Āslam Khan, became diwān of the Panjab vice Sayyid Mırak Khan Kām Bakhsh had been reinstated as 20-hazānı (10,000 tr), 5,000 tr of his former reduction was now restored 'Alı Naqi, daughter's son of Shāh 'Abbās, king of Iran, was led by fortune to visit the Emperor Five thousand rupees were given from the treasury of the port of Surat for his travelling expenses On coming to court, he got the rank of 3-hazāri (1,000 tr) a robe, a horse, an elephant, and a jewelled jigha Muhammad Muhiuddin, son of Sikandar Khan Bijapuri, was married to the daughter of Sambhā The Emperor presented a dowry worth 7,000 rupees The marriage of Raja Shahu, the son of Sambha, was settled with the daughter of Bahādurji He was presented with a jewelled belt, an enamelled sarpech, and a jewelled jigha, worth 10,000 rupees The Emperor received a present sent by Muhammad 'Azım on the occasion of the birth of a daughter to Sultan Farrukh Siyar [483]

Qazı Ākrām Khan got an elephant Robes for the rains were sent to all the imperial servants at the Court and in the provinces Rustamdil Khan was appointed faujdār of Karnātak-Bijapuri vice Salābat Khan A 1½-hazāri (1,000 tr), he got 500 zāt (1,000 tr) more and a kioi of

dam as m'am Khwāja Zāhid, ambassador of Balkh, received on the day of interview a gold coin weighing 100 mohars and a rupee weighing 100 rupees. On the day of taking congee he received a robe, a jewelled dagger, and 5,000 rupees in cash A farmān with robe was sent to Bidār Bakht appointing him Subahdar of Malwa in addition to Aurangābād Dāud Khan, nāib of Nasrat Jang, became Kām Bakhsh's deputy in governing the subah of Bijapur vice Muzassar Khan A b hazāri (same tr), he got a hazāri (same tr) in addition Murshid Quli Khan defender* of the province of Orissa and diwan of (the establishment of) Muhammad 'Azim and of the province of Bengal was a 11 hazārı (1 000 tr.) and now got an increment of 500 zāt (100 tr.) Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur and Tarbiyat Khan who had gone to chastise the enemy, returned to Court according to command On the 21st November, 1704/4th Shaban, the Emperor learnt that Firuz Jang Khan had started from Berär towards Hindustan to chastise Nimā Sindhiā and Chatrasāl Bundelā News came from in formants on the frontier of Persia that Prince Muhammad Akbar, who had fled into the wilderness of disappointment and whose affairs have been described in previous years [484] had died The Emperor consoled himself by reading the verse of tarji a and said "The great disturber of Hindustan has subsided ' He sent the news to Zinat un nisā Begam and presented a mourning turban-end to Akbar's son Buland Akhtar Condolatory turban-ends were sent to his eldest son Nekusiyar in the fort of Agra, to Razivyat un msāṭ Begam, wife of Rafi ul qadr and Zakiyyat un msāṭ Begam, wife of Khujistah Akhtar the daughters of the deceased

I shall now turn to the narration of the history of the

remaining portion of the siege of Rajgarh On Sunday the 6th February 1704/11th Shawwall our heroes mounted the tower and penetrated inside the wall driving the enemy, who had come up to oppose them back to confinement in the fort They firmly established themselves here Although these prisoners closed the door of submission on themselves and for a time did not slacken in discharging guns muskets rockets and stones, and

Haris (in text) Akhbarat says that he was fanjdår of Orisul (evidently the subahdarship of Orisea was then kept in abeyance)
† The year wrong According to Akhbarat 2nd December 1703
† On pp 203 and 572 her name is given as Safas!

through the lack of shelters many of the holy warriors met with martyrdom, yet the sight of their valour and sacrifice of life, shook the resolution of the enemy, [485] their generals Firangaji and Dāmāji sent an envoy to the house of Bakhshi-ul-mulk Ruhullah Khan to beg for quarters. At the Khan's intercession the Emperor ordered that the garrison might go out without arms or armour. On Wednesday, the 16th February/21st Shawwāl, they with their own hands planted the imperial banner on the top of the fort, and themselves retired to the pit of ruin. That very day Bakhshi-ul-mulk Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur with other grandees entered the fort by the door, and raising to the sky the loud shout of conquering four such forts, expelled the infidels as he had been commanded.

Hamiduddın Khan Bahādur, who a few days before had received the increment of $500 z\bar{a}t$ (300 tr), making him a $3\frac{1}{2}$ -hazān (2-hazān tr) was now rewarded for his heroism with the permission to beat the naubat. Tarbiyat Khan was rewarded for the conquest of the foit with an increment of $500 z\bar{a}t$ (200 tr) which made him a $3\frac{1}{2}$ -hazān (1,800 tr) [486] The Bakhshi-ul-mulk, who had been promoted to be a $3\frac{1}{2}$ -hazān (1500 tr.) was presented with a costly jewelled sanpech. The fort was renamed Nabishāhgarh

Capture of Tornā fort Tornā was situated four kos from Rājgarh On Wednesday, the 23rd February, 1704/28th Shawwāl, the imperial tent was pitched in its neighbourhood, and the heroes, as usual, were sent to attempt the capture of the fort ' In spite of the strength of the fort, Tarbiyat Khan engaged himself in running trenches on the side of its gate Muhammad Āmin Khan Bahādur closed the path of egress to the garrison on the other side Other guards enclosed it around ' 1 [487]

Āmānullah Khan, grandson of Alahwardı Khan J'afar, who was famous for his reckless valour in this family of brave men, in the night of Friday, the 10th March, 1704/15th Zil Q, when the 89th lunar year of the Emperor's life began, inspired some Mavlé infantry, from his own side, so that first one of them in disregard of life went up to the sangchin of the fort and fastened a rope ladder

^{*}The printed text of MA gives the names as Fartāunji and Hāmānji (which I correct as Firangaji and Dāmāji Khafi Kh (11 513) names only Hāmāji The Marathi annals and the akhbaiats are silent as to the names. The Ms reads Fartaunji and Hāhānji.

(mal) strongly to a rock, and then twenty five others of the same party ascended the hill by means of the noose (rope ladder) entered the fort and rused the din of fighting The Khan, his brother Ataullah Khan and some others in disregard of their lives followed them quickly on hearing of it Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur, who was walking on every side in search of an opportunity, tied a rope to his waist like the first party and entered close behind. The infidels who offered resistance were slain. The rest fled to the citadel and shut the door Although this hard enter prise in this simplified form was one of no small (danger), yet where could cowards resist the charge of heroes, and [488] the enemy became helpless and begged for quarters The Emperor permitted them to leave the fort without their The fort was renamed Fatul ul ghaib The Khan arnis Bahadur Hamiduddin was rewarded with a robe, a fathpech and doshāla from the Emperor's own wardrobe Amanullah Khan by an increment of 500 zāt (200 do āspā tr) became a 1½ hazārı (700 tr) Others were properly rewarded As through the blessedness of the aims of the Emperor, the people escaped the hardships and dangers of passing the rainy season in this fatal region, the Emperor set out on the return march towards the old dominions for making wednesday, the 15th March, 1704/20th Zil Q, Mir Khan, close to the Emperor's person got his father's hereditary title of Amir Khan The Emperor said, "When your father Mir Khan became Amir Khan he presented to the Emperor Shah Jahan one lakh of rupees in return for the granting of alif (to his name) What will you present?"
He replied 'May a thousand thousand lives be sacrificed to Your Majesty! My life and property are all proputatory alms (tasadduq) for the sake of Your Majesty! Next day he presented to the Emperor, a Qurān in the handwriting of Yaqut The Emperor remarked, "You have made a present which exceeds the world and its contents in price, and gave him an elephant On Tuesday the 9th May 1704/15th Muharram Bakhshi ul mulk Ruhullah Khan died in the fulness of his youth and prosperity Mourning robes were sent to the houses of his sons Khalilullah Khan and Itiqad Khan (who afterwards got the title of Ruhullah They came to bow to the Emperor who consoled The daughter of the deceased came to Court, she was consoled with the present of jewels worth 5 000 rupees

Mırzā Sadruddın Muhammad Khan became second Bakhshı, vice the deceased Mır Khānahzād Khan was ordered to act as his deputy pending his arrival from the base. Khudābanda Khan became Khan-ı-sāmān vice the deceased On Monday the 17th April, 1704/23rd Zil H, the Emperor fixed his camp at [490] the village of Khed, which was renamed Mas'audābād After staying here for seven and a half months, the army started for Wāgin-gerā * *

MARCH FOR THE CONQUEST OF WAGIN-GERA

I have already narrated some of the incidents of the capture of Nasratābād Sagar from Pām Nāik, his coming to the imperial Court at Haidarabad through the mediation of Khānahzād Khan, son of Ruhullah Khan, and his flight hell shortly afterwards [491] Afterwards when Ruhullah Khan, son of Khalılullah Khan, was ordered ın the 32nd year of the reign (to go) from Fathābād Koragāon to conquer Rāichur, Pidiā, brother's son and adopted son of Pam Naik, who, in the 28th [corr 27th] year at the time of the Emperor's dismounting at Ahmadnagar, had come to Court and received a mansab, was taken by the Khan with himself, as likely to render help in the work This trickster informed the Khan, after the conquest of Rāichur that if he could get permission he would like to go to Wāgingerā for a week, replenish his materials and equipment, and come back This place was a village within the jurisdiction of Sagar Its habitations are situated on a After Sagar had been wrested from Pam Naik, it developed into the home and refuge of the infidel (rebels) The Khan being deceived gave the permission The wretch after reaching his shelter violated his promise, took up an attitude of opposition, and tried to stiengthen this place, i e., to make a qamargha with twelve or thirteen thousand musketeers

When the Khan employed force against him, he kept himself safe partly by force and partly by money. The Khan was summoned to Court, and he outwardly conducted himself as a tenant, continued to pay revenue, but gradually gathered together wealth, built a wall on one side of the hill, and assembled [492] fighting footmen, and thus constituted Wāgin-gerā. By increasing the buildings of the town and the cultivation in its neighbourhood, he acquired power and authority, and became the leading partner of the

Marathas in raising disturbances and rebellion and dispossessed Jagia the legitimate son of Pām Nāik, the heir to the estate The latter betook himself to the Court and took service there After learning of Pidiā's robberies on all sides and his devastation (of the property) of high and low, the Emperor sent 'Azam Shah to extirpate him Then he interviewed the Prince and saved himself from destruction by paying seven lakhs of rupees (as tribute) And during the governorship (lit, domination) of Ghāziuddin Khan Bahādur Firuz Jang, he followed the same policy and by paying in all a tribute of nine lakhs of rupees saved himself

When the Emperor s attention was absorbed in conquering the country of Bijapur, this short sighted man again provoked his own ruin. Till at last, the Emperor being free from the conquest of those great forts and the opening of so many difficult passes leading to Junnar the time of retribution on the infidel arrived. On Sunday, the 22nd October, 1704/4th Rajab, the Emperor set out towards it

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17th December, 1704—5th December, 1705

[493] 'Azızullah Khan uncle of Ruhullah Khan deceased, who had been summoned from Aurangābād after the latter's death, had audience At Firuz Jang's request, the hazāri zāt (same tr) deducted from the rank of Rustam Khan, nāib-Subahdār of Berār, was restored, Mir Khan, son of Āmir Khan deceased, a hazāri (500 tr) got an increment of a 100 tr Tahawwar Khan, son of Salābat Khan deceased, dārogha of Qurkhānah, got the title of Fidāi Khan. The 'Id-ul-fitr occurred on the 16th January,

1705/1st Shawwal, 1116

Buland Ākhtar's tent was a sarācha with āsbak On account of some offence, the Emperor ordered that it should be a tent (tambu) with qalandari and an enclosure of cloth screens (qanāt) Hāfiz Nur Muhammad, Mir-i-sāmān of the establishment of Gauharārā Begam, having written and corrected selections from the Āhiā-ul-ulum, sent it as a present to the Emperor and was rewarded with an elephant, 1000 rupees in cash, and the title of [494] Hāfiz Khan Rustamdil Khan, the dismissed faujdār of Karnātak-Bijapuri, was appointed naib-Subahdār of Haidarabad, vice Dāud Khan and received an increment of 500 zāt (same tr) to his rank of 2-hazāri (1,000 tr) Chin Qalich Khan Bahādur, nāzīm of Bijapur, got the faujdāri vice him He was a 4-hazāri (same tr), and now got an increment of 2,000 tr and 5 lakhs of dām, as in'ām

On Tuesday, the 13th March 1705/28th Zil Q, news came from Ahmadābād that Jahānzeb Bānu Begam, wife of Shah 'Ālijah, had died Some trusty female friends, who had access to her, said, 'a pimple of the size of a lentil appeared on the nipple of her right bosom. For some time medicine was taken, yet the swelling grew wide and thick and its inflammation at times caused a burning fever. The dóctors applied medicines. At last Monsieur Martin, the Frenchman, said 'There is a skilful woman-surgeon (hāziqa) among my relatives at Delhi. If she is summoned and after examining the patient tells me the details of the

case she will be quickly cured." After her arrival, the Begam said to her foster brother (Koka), "Summon her, and inquire about her age and hibbt of drinking wine." The Koka after inquire reported, "She is 40 years old, and drinks wine." The Begam said, "It is certain that I shall not be able to save my self from this disease which is daily increasing. I don't wish that my body should be touched by a sinner." Although the Shah pressed her, it had no effect. The disease lingered for two years, and at last she died. In all two lakhs of rupees were spent in furnishing the corpse shrouding it, distributing money and food [495] (to beggars), sending the corpse to Dellit, and burying it in the cemetery of Khwāja Qutbuddin Bakhtuār. The Shāh the cemetery of Khwāja Qutbuddin Bakhtuār. The Shāh gave up hearing music and seeing dances, of which he was very fond from his youth. All her jewels were sent to Bidār Bakht. Her other things and cash were made over

to the officers of Najib un nisa Begam

Savvid Asalat Khan an officer serving under the Crown Prince came to Court by command At the Prince's request he received an increment of 500 zāt (200 tr) making him 1 1 hazārı (700 tr) Ya qub Khan at the recommenda tion of İbrāhim Khan became faujdār of Pakhli Dhamtur vice Rahmandad Khan and got an increment of a hasar troopers Kanhon Shirke, a 5 hazari (same tr.) got an increment of a hazār zat Murid Khan, son of Himmat Khan became giladar of the port of Surat, vice Dilir Khan deceased Hāmid Khan Bahadur quarrelling with Firuz Jang Khan came to Court He was a 2-hazan (1,000 tr) and now regained the 500 zāt (same tr) which had been reduced Vāsudeo, zamindār of Chandankerā got his first mansab (a 3-hazāri zāt) and an elephant Raja Shāhu by command went to and came back from the house of Firuz Jang with the troops of Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur [496] Monday, the 4th June, 1705/2nd Safar had been fixed for giving leave to Kam Bakhsh to go to Haidarabad But the Emperor postponed it Chin Qalich Khan Bahadur Subahdar of Bijapur, got in addition the posts of (faujdar of) Nasratābād Saklhar and Mudgal vice Burhanullah Khan and Kamil Khan, Saif Khan got the qiladari and faujdari of 'Azamnagar and Talkokan vice Chin Qalich Khan, with an increment of 500 zāt (1,300 tr) Mirzā Safavi Khan was married to the daughter of Mu azzam Khan deceased, he was given a robe with a sarpech and 12 000 rupees in cash Bakhshi ul mulk Nasrat Jang Khan was presented

with a ring with a ruby set in it, worth 5,000 rupees. 'Ināyetullah Khan's wife was presented with a peail badhi worth 8,000 rupees and other jewels Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur's daughter was presented with an udiāj and makii with two pearls Sipahdar Khan, nazim of Allahabad, a 4-hazārı (3,000 tr), got an increment of a hazār zāt Fathullah Khan Bahādur 'Alamgırshahı got the thanahdarı of Lauhgarh vice Alah Yar Khan, with an increment of 200 tr On Sunday, the 2nd September/4th Jamad A, a farmān was issued calling Shah 'Ālijāh to Court On Sunday, the 9th September, 1705/1st Jamad S, the subahdarship of the Panjab was given to the Crown Prince, vice Zabardast Khan The subahdari of Burhanpur and Aurangabad was given to Shah 'Alijah vice Bidar Bakht Ibrāhim [497] Khan, dismissed Subahdār of Kashmir, became Subahdar of Ahmadabad vice the agents of Shah 'Alıjāh A 5-hazārı (same tr) he got an increment of a hazār zāt (same tr) Zabardast Khan, his son, became Subahdār of Ajmir vice the agents of Shāh 'Ālijāh A hazān, he got an increment of 500 (1,000 tr) Mun'im Khan diwan of the establishment of the Crown Prince and of the Subah of Kābul, became deputy governor of the Panjāb on behalf of the Prince, and faujdar of Jammu on his own A hazānı (500 tr), he got 500 zāt (same tr) more Nawāzish Khan became Subahdār of Kashmir Mu'izzuddin, Subahdar of Multan and Tatta became (also) faujdar of Lakhı jungle vice Zabardast Khan Hayatullah Khan son of Chin Qalich Khan Bahādur was piesented with an elephant and a jewelled dagger Mirzā Ŝafavi Khan became third Bakhshi Tarbiyat Khan, Mir Atish, was made qil'adar of Nabishāhdurg and Muhiābād up to the river Bhimā got a hazār tr seh-bandı Bāqı Khan, son of Bāqı Khan, uncle of Hamiduddin Khan, became qıladar of Agra vice Kāmgār Khan A 1½-hazān, he got 500 zāt (300 tr) as an increment Tarbiyat Khan, Mir Atish, got in addition the dāioghaship of the Deccan artillery vice Mansur Khan His son Muhammad Ishāq was appointed his deputy Wazārat Khan 'Arab Shaikh Muhammad, diwān of Kām Bakhsh, was sent to settle Haiderabad

On Friday, the 16th November, 1705/10th Shabān, [498] the subahdāri of Mālwā was ordered to be continued to Bidār Bakht Mukhtār Khan nāzim of Agra, in reward for the conquest of Sansani, a possession of the rebel Rājaiām Jāt, which was captured for the second time on

Tuesday, the 9th October, 1705/2nd Rajab, got an addition of 500 cat to his rank of 3-hazān The Emperor learnt that Durgadas Rathor, who had left the army of Shah 'Alijāh, had returned He was ordered to be restored to the rank of

3-hazarı (2 hazār tr.)

I shall now turn to the siege of Wagin gera The inter vening space was covered in three months and a few days and on Thursday, the 8th February, 1705/4th Shawwal, the army arrived near it Chin Qalich Khan Bahadur son of Klian Tiruz Jang, nazim of Bijapur and jägirdär of this country, who had hastened with the advanced detachment by command took up a position a quarter of a kos from the fort in company with Muhammad Amin Klian Bahadur Tarbivat Khan Bahadur and the officers of the artillery The Emperor's camp (daira) was located at a distance of a Everyday the enemy sallied forth and fought the imperialists. And as some thousand active musketeers and vigorous troopers Hindu and Muslim, mostly of the Sayvid and other tribes and servants of the best of Khalifas were opposed to them severe struggles took place. The big guns from the top of the hill caused tumultuous slaughter rockets followed each other vehemently One morning Chin Qalich Khan Bahadur Muhammad Amin Khan [499] Bahadur Tarbiyat Khan Bahadur, 'Aziz Khan Ruhila and Ikhlas Khan Miana, on the look out for opportunities, seized a hillock named Lal Tikm, the capture of which would greatly weaken the enemy. The enemy learning of it, came in a large body and so stoned the occupants of the hillock that they could not stand The heroes waited for an opportunity to encircle the infantry But the work did not prosper and they turned back Although Kam Bakhsh and the Amir ul umara were sent, the efforts of the warmors did not succeed The Emperor after the retreat ordered them to give up the endeavour from that side and try to promote the work from other sides

That day, when Chin Qahch Khan Bahādur and Muham mad Amin Khan Bahādur were riding out with a party to select the places for the trenches by chance a cannon ball fell upon them. Two legs of the horse of one and a forcieg of the horse of the other were blown away but the two generals got down in safety. The Emperor on hearing of it sent with his personal (servant) Amir Khan two Arab horses with gold sate for the two generals and one precious perfumed pastile of amber for Chin Qalich Khan and gratified them. In

short, the heroes planned to run trenches between Lal Tikri and the hillock opposite the petta and Dhedapur, Muhammad Amın Khan Bahadur established an outpost for repelling the enemy between Lal Tikri and the place of the trenches Sultān Husain, surnamed Malang, with the men of the Prince kept his hold on the conquered hillock for some time [500] And similarly, Bāqr Khan, son of Ruhullah Khan boldly maintained himself long on another hillock These two parties encountered the enemy day and night, and checked their assault In spite of the daily crowding of the enemy against these men, it seemed likely for the work to succeed soon, when the news spread that the Marathas were coming to aid the enemy On Thursday, the 8th March, 1705/23rd Zil O Dhanā Jādav and Hindu Rāo with five or six thousand troopers arrived near the imperial army As the families of many (of them) were living in the protection of this fort, they kept the imperial army in play, and carried off the families by the other side of the hill advised the chief of Wagingera thus,—"With all our joint armies and materials, you and we cannot oppose the Emperor If your hill be of iron, it would be dissolved and if your fort be of brass, it would be overthrown by him Don't ruin your country Don't overthrow your zamindari Don't rely too much on your remaining property Save your army from being scattered "Regarding the Marathas as his helpers in his evil day, he had kept them attached to him by means of a daily subsidy of some thousands of rupees The money went out of the purse of this luckless man, but what came from them (the Marathas) in return? The Marathas at his instigation, appeared on some occasions from the various sides of the camp, but being broken they fled to the hills Several times great feats were performed through the forward movement of Muhammad Amin Khan Bahadur, Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur, Amanullah Khan [501] and other heroes In the meantime, the rebel chief made overtures for peace He gave a letter containing a prayer for safety and some other requests to 'Abdul Ghanı Kashmıri, a hawking grocer, who had no (merchandise) under his arm save fraud and duplicity and had attained to (influence on) the chief by tricks and deception As that unclean fellow was not one of the grandees known to the Emperor, he brought the letter to Hedayetkesh, the general news-reader, who had once had an occasion to speak to him and said, "I had gone to take a walk towards the fort, and was delayed

by having to perform the evening prayer. At that time some men of the Berad Chief arrived and carried me away bound. He after some inquiry wrote and gave me this letter?

Hedavetkesh reported the matter to the Emperor, who in spite of his prudence experience, the indications of the approaching end of the siege, and knowledge of the worth of that worthless fellow said that the prayers would be granted. The Prince was ordered to be the mediator for these affairs The rebel chief sent to the Court his brother Som Singh who desired the zamındarı, the name of Pidia and a mansab for him, he got rewards and a mansab on coming Muhatasham Khan, son of Shaikh Mir, a debtor of the Kashmiri who was living without a mansab and making no exertions (in the siege) and had been through the deception of that unclean creature appointed as quadar was taken inside the fort with some men after being given a mansab [502] Som Singh spread the tale that Pidia had turned mad and fled from the fort The Kashmiri brought a message from his mother that the wretch had fled with the Maratha devils, that Som Singh might now be permitted to come to the fort and engage in the duties of zamindar, and that the fort would be vacated in a week. It was done The Kashmiri was given a mansab of 3-hundred HedayetLesh for a few days got the title of Hadi Khan and promotion The fire of the trenches was stopped The generals were summoned to Court As the deceiver had imagined that according to his fraud and promises the Emperor would march away and his jugglery and hypocrisy would succeed but the affair did not result as he had expected -he delayed in evacuating the fort and admitting the imperialists, and opened the door of disturbance with the desire of fighting He knew not what enormous materials for ensuring the success of the work the Emperor had kept in view during the negotiations for peace and what mass of water had been poured [by him on the tree of] his object during the few days that the fire of slaughter was extinguished!

To put it shortly in this interval of delay Bakhshi ulmulk Zulfiqar Khan Bahādur Nasrat Jang who had been ordered to come to Court from Burhānpur with treasure quickly arrived with Rao Dalpat Rām Singh and a strong force, Dāud Khan who was acting at Jinji as nāib of Nasrat Jang arrived speedily with Bahādur Khan and a large party Yusuf Khan, giladār of Qamarnagar and Kāmyāb Khan

[503] qıladar of Gulbarga and other faujdars and qıladars with excellent corps arrived The Emperor ordered Nasrat Jang to capture the fort and punish the enemy The day following the interview, the Khan went to view the fort on the side of the hillock of Sultan Husain and Baqr Khan The enemy firing muskets from their perches in the petta, advanced to fight, and were beaten, many being slain, and the rest fleeing to their holes, and firmly holding the wall of the petta. In this day's fight many of the followers of Rao Dalpat, after fighting valiantly, were slain or wounded Jamshid Khan Bijapuri was killed by a cannon-ball Nasrat Jang firmly planted himself a short distance from that wall By order Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur, Tarbiyat Khan Bahādur and others joined Nasrat Jang Chin Qalich Khan sat down between the trenches and Lal Tikri to punish the enemy After a few days he was ordered to patrol round the fort with Muhammad Amin Khan and other Mughals, and Bakhshi-ul-mulk Mirzā Sadruddin Muhammad Khan Safavi, to keep his place hot for him Meantime Nasrat Jang had captured some wells situated on the skirt of the hill whence the enemy used to draw water, and by setting up palisades (katgara) and making head-covers (? "tortoises" or wide shields), had come close to the wall Till at last on Friday, the 27th April, 1705/14th Muharram [504] relying on God and the Emperor, he appointed for the assault Daud Khan with his brothers from one side, and Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur, Tarbiyat Khan Bahādur and other heroes from another, while he himself stood on horseback to support The heroes, eager for honour, ran on foot from both sides, the enemy who fought while fleeing could not resist the onset Vacating the pettah they fled to the fort The victors, traversing the ups and downs for one kos on foot, slaying and breaking the enemy, firmly established themselves. When the accursed Berads and Marathas saw these victories, the Berad chief knew that he had no refuge save in flight, and stationing a body of musketeers to check the imperialists during the day, fled out of the other side of the hill with the Marathas, the companions of his days of adversity Towards evening the party of musketeers set fire to the houses and property (mān) and fled conflagration and the disappearance of the unfortunates revealed the real circumstance Daud Khan, Mansur Khan, and others ran towards the chief's house, and found it empty Before his flight he had confined Muhtasham

Khan in his house. After the conquest of the fort the door [505] was opened to the Khan. This great victory fell to the lot of Nasrat Jang through the grace and good fortune of the Emperor.

Next day, when Nasrat Jang interviewed the Emperor he was rewarded with a jewelled sword, a horse with gold saz and an elephant with silver accoutrements Daud Khan with a sword and a horse his brother Bahadur Khan with an increment of 100 tr and the granting of Lettledrums Rao Dalpat was rewarded by the promotion of his sons and Ram Singh by an increment of 500 Hamiduddin Khan Bahadur's exertions were rewarded with an increment of 300 tr and a special robe, and those of Tarbiyat Khan Bahā dur with an increment of 200 tr and the granting of naubat Matlab Khan and Amanullah Khan each received an in crement of 200 tr and the naubat Saifullah Khan Mir Tuzuk, who was that day wounded in the arm with a musket ball, received 100 mohars Next day Amir Khan (close to the Emperor's person) Bakhshi ul mulk Mirza Sadruddın Muhammad Khan (Safavı) and Inayetullah Khan the chief of ministers each received a promotion of 500 Khwaia 'Ambar got the title of Khidmatgar Khan Khwaja Bakhtawar the title of Khan and [506] each of them got an increment of a 100 zat Qazı Akram Khan became, by an increment of 100 a hazarı Chin Oalich Khan Bahadur and Muhammad Amin Khan Bahadur who had gone to patrol in the neighbourhood, done excellent work, and worked hard in the pursuit of the enemy were summoned to Court after the enemy's escape The first by an increment of hazār zāt became a b hazāri (same tr) and received 1 kror and 50 lakh dam as in am an enamelled sword and an elephant The second received a sword and the increment of 500, which made him a 4-hazān (1,200 tr) Sayyıd Sarfarāz Khan was given back the 500 tr formerly deducted, and thus became a 6-hazān (5,000 tr) and also received a special robe and 1,000 mohars as reward Faridun Khan and Hasan Khan sons of Jamshid Khan deceased received, the first 500 zat (300 tr), the second 500 (200 tr) as increment and thus each became a 11 hazārı Mughals and other clans, Hindu and Muslim, of the forces of the two Khan Bahadurs, were favoured with promotion horses, swords and daggers

In short, a great celebration was made for the victory The Muslims universally rejoiced. The peasants and commonalty, the high people and Sayyids of this country became composed and happy at the extinpation of the wicked infidel. The fort was renamed Rahman-Bakhsh $Kher\bar{a}$

[507] THE STAY OF THE ARMY AT DEWAPUR

As the chief object of conquering this country was to spread Islamic practices in an infidels' land and to improve the condition of all the slaves, Chin Qalich Khan was sent with a portion of the army to hasten and settle the neighbourhood, reassure and compose the ryots, who had fled far away in terror and hidden themselves, and send messages of their being treated with justice and favour, in order to induce them to return to their old homes and engage in cultivation (again). and to exact tributes from some refractory chiefs or to punish them In view of furthering these works, the return of the timid inhabitants to Rahman-Bakhsh-Kherā, the building of a fort and a mosque here, and the passing of the rainy season, the Emperor ordered that some place should be selected in the neighbourhood which was suitable for the imperial camp. The officers chose Dewāpur, 3 kos from Rahman-Bakhsh-Kherā, near the Krishnā The Emperor reached the place in one march It was a truly charming seat, the cause of comfort and repose to the people Thanks to the Emperor, repose was enjoyed. During the stay here, the tributes that had been collected reached the Emperor, the peasantry returned to their homes and engaged in tillage, the rebels were chastised Under the supervision of Khwāja Mas'aud Mahalli, a strong fort and a beautiful mosque were built, the superintendent being rewarded with the title of Mas'aud Khan At this time, [508] Bakhshenda-Bakhsh Kondānā, having been recovered by the enemy through the cowardice of the qıladar and the tricks of the enemy, the Emperor sent Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur and Tarbiyat Khan Bahādur with a party of heroes, after favouring them with proper promotions and rewards and helping them with money, to hasten there

ACCOUNT OF THE EMPEROR'S ILLNESS

Owing to the fickleness of fortune, every soundness of health is closely linked to some kind of illness, and every happiness goes hand in hand with some misery. At this time, when the people had acquired a little repose, suddenly a strange disorder and bewildering distress took place, owing to the illness of the Emperor who was the life of the world and the cause of the repose of men. * * *

At first His Majesty, through his natural strength of mind and firmness of purpose, did not allow himself to be overcome by the disease, and so did not give up the tran saction of business, but sometimes like the sun in the eastern sky, he showed his face at the small door of the Court (of Justice) The prayers of men reached his knowledge through the medium of petitions and letters, and he used to write suitable answers firmly with his own hand Thereafter, through the severity of the illness and the increase of the pain, extreme depression seized him and at times he became unconscious It seemed likely, that through this terrible [509] occurrence, the kingdom and the faith would break up The people preferred their own death to their lives but could not get it (death) Great agitation Wild and heart sickening rumours began seized the camp to spread Fools formed the unlucky ambition of boldly practising oppression in this disorderly country where the enemy lay in ambush everywhere in search of opportunities

For ten or twelve days this state continued till at last the life giver of the world breathed new lives into the bodies of the frightened people, and the removal of the Emperor's illness gave peace and safety to the world The turbulent enemy and evil natured wrong-doers scattered the dust of despair on their heads Amir Khan used to narrate One day in extreme pain the Emperor muttered

By the time you reach your 80th or 90th year You will have met with many afflictions from Time (or Fortune)

And when from that point von reach the stage of

a hundred years,

Death will assume the shape of your life '

The low moan reached my ears, I quickly said to him Peace be with Your Majesty! Shaikh Ganja has composed all these couplets merely as the preface to the following couplet —

> Then, it is better for you to be cheerful, For in cheerfulness you can remember God!'

The Emperor said 'Recite again' I recited it a number of times He ordered me to show it written I did so He read it for a time. The Giver of mercy to the helpless, the Remover of the pain of troubled hearts, bestowed strength on the Cause of the world's comfort, and [510] next morning the Emperor came to the Court of the oppressed The people got back their lives The Emperor said 'Your couplet gave me perfect recovery and brought wonderful strength to my weak heart' The methods which doctor Haziq Khan employed in the Emperor's treatment were worthy of the ancient doctors Praised be God, and again praised be God! This lucky man was, in reward of his excellent services, weighed against gold and presented with a sarpech. The Emperor after gaining relief from the use of China root (Smilax China) which had done great good to his constitution, sent away, to guard his own subah, Chin Qalich Khan Bahādur, who in excess of agitation had quickly reached the camp On Tuesday the 23rd October, 1705/16th Rajab, the Emperor set out for Bahādurgarh in a pālkı (takht) The rest of this month (Rajab) and the whole of the next (Shabān) were spent in the journey On the way, Qāzi Ākrām Khan died He was unparallelled in legal knowledge and uprightness The Emperor in recognition of his merits used to speak of him under the name of 'the late most learned man'

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6th December 1705-25th November, 1706

* * ° [511] On Thursday the 6th December, 1705/1st Ramzan the imperial cump reached Bahādurgarh. As the officers, appointed to recover Bakhshenda Bakhsh had only made a tour and circuit and putting off the accomplishment of their purpose to another time had returned to Court Zulfiqar Khan Bahādur Nasrat Jang who after the capture of Rahman Bakhsh Khera had been sent towards Aurangā bad in pursuit of the thieves, was summoned to Court, and

had interview at Bahadurgarh

On the 23rd January 1706/19th Shawwal* when the imperial army began its march for Ahmadnagar the Khan (Nasrat Jang) after being suitably favoured was sent against Bakhshendh Bakhsh. In addition to his own troops Tarbiyat Khan Bahādur, zil'adār of this quarter obeyed orders (by joining Nasrat Jang) Shāhu son of the infidel Sambha, who was residing within the gulālbār was ordered to accompany the army of Nasrat Jang. On Friday the 25th January, 1706/21st Shawwal, for some political reasons his tent was ordered to be pitched close to the dāra of the Khan and he was presented with a special robe and two costly udrāj. The imperial camp returned to Ahmad ingar after the lapse of 22 years on Sunday 20th January/16th Shawwal [512]

On Thursday the 21st March 1706/17th Zil H in formants reported to the Emperor that Nasrat Jang had recaptured Ballashenda Ballash, and expelled the beaten garrison without arms and accountements Prince 'Alijāh, who had been engaged in governing Gujrat on hearing of the Emperor sillness had in his excess of love and devotion applied for permission to come to Court By order he arrived and had audience on the 25th March 1706/21st Zil H Bidār Ballat was ordered to put down the enemy who had spread towards the province of Gujrat on account of the delay in the arrival of Ibrāhim Khan who had been

^{*}The printed text wrongly gives Sharban

transferred from Kashmir to the Subahdāri of Gujrat In the place of the Shāhzāda, the subahdārship of Burhānpur was entrusted to Najābat Khan, and the defence of Mālwā to Khan-i-'Ālam News reached the Emperor from Delhi that Gauharārā Begam, his younger sister, had died He was [513] deeply grieved, and repeatedly said, "Of the children of Shah Jahān, she and I alone were left"

He gratified her dependants with many kinds of consolation and favour He appointed Hāfiz Khan, her mırsaman, as dıwan of Lahore vice Muhammad Aslam Sayyıd Muhammad, grandson of Qazı Muhammad Aslam deceased who was the Emperor's ustad, was appointed Sadr of the same Subah Khwāja Zakriā and Khwāja Yahyā, sons of Sarbuland Khan Khwāja Musa daughter's sons of Prince Muhammad Mu'izzudin, had audience and received robes and cash gifts. Tarbiyat Khan Bahādur's daughter received oinaments worth 4,000 rupees to the delight of her father Chin Qalich Khan Bahadur became faujdār of Firuz-Nagar vice Yusuf Khan, and also faujdār of Tālikota vice Qudratullah Khan Muhammad Muhasan, brother's son of Bakhshi-ul-mulk Mirzā Safavi Khan having newly come from Persia, interviewed the Amat-ul-Hamid, daughter of Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur was presented with ornaments worth 2,000 Sarāfrāz Khan, a 6-hazārı (5-hazār tr) was rewarded for the pursuit of Pidiā Nāik with the increment of a $haz\bar{a}r$ troopers Jagiā, deshmukh of Nasratābād, a $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $haz\bar{a}n$ (1,500 tr) received an increment of [514] 5-sadi Mulla Haidar, ustād of Muhammad 'Azım, and Qazı of Delhi, had been summoned to Court to be made Qazi of the imperial camp He now arrived and got the high post At Nasrat Jang's request, the zamındarı of Mau-maidana was given to his officer Raja Ram Singh Hada vice Rao Budh Singh This Emperor, so gracious in the material and spiritual spheres alike, had been permitted by Sharkh Abdul Latif, the chief of saints, to put away from himself the surname of Abul Faiyaz ("the father of bounties"), and now, out of kindness and favour to 'Alijah, that prince was directed by His Majesty to add this title to his own name "

^{*} The printed text is defective, having omitted, at the beginning of this sentence, the words $Faiy\bar{a}z$ -i-surat wa ma'ni $\bar{a}z$ and thus made a mess of it The Bihar Ms supplies the omission.

khudabanda Khan, khan i sāmān a 2½ hazāri (1,000 tr.), got an increment of 500 zat (200 tr.) The enemy who were communded to be henceforth written of as 'thiexes' appeared two Los from the camp. The Emperor ordered Khan i Alam, Bakhshi ul mulk Sadruddin Muhammad khan Safavi, and others to go and chastise them. As they in the thick of the bittle sent reports of the numerical superiority of the enemy to the Emperor, he sent Hamiduddin khan Bahadur and Matlab Khan to their aid after presenting them with amulets for safety. The enemy were beaten back khan i 'Alam and Munawwar Khan were sent to Shah Ālijāh with the present of swords [516] A ring set with an emerald, carved with the name of Chin Qalach khan Bahādur was sent to him. Bāqi Khan qaladar of Agra a 2 hazāri (600 tr.), got an increment of 500 zat and said in gratitude—

"The work succeeds through the Emperor's favour Bāqi (1, he and 2 the rest) is a mere pretext (as the doer

of it)!

Gaitiari Begam and Iffat-ara Begam, daughters of Shah Alijah and Bakht un nisa Begam daughter of Bidar Bakht came to Court each was presented with ornaments varying in price from eight to ten thousand rupees. Nasrat Jang Khan hastened with light kit, for punishing the thieves near Aurungabad sending his buggage to Court with Ram Singh Hada Abul Khair Khan fauydar and qıladar of Junnar son of Abdul Azız Khan who had received his father s title became administrator (wali) of the tomb of Mian Shaikh Abdul Latif, situated in the Daulatmaidan quarter of Burhanpur Qamruddin Khan son of Muhammad Amin Khan was presented with a yamani sarbech and Muhammad Hasan son of Mukhlis Khan de ceased with a jewelled ring. On Tuesday, the 18th June, 1706/17th Rabi A a round box full of jewels and one bundle of special dresses were sent to Sultāns Dādār Bakhsh and Dawar Bakhsh, in condolence for the deaths of their parents. Izid Bakhsh and Mihr un insā Begam, the Rabi A at the end of the night the Emperor learnt that Buland Akhtar had died Khwāja Ma'saud Khan was sent to convey his three sons and the ladies [516] of his harem to the fort of Ahmadnagar Jewels and mourning robes were presented to Chamni Begam, the daughter and to Sultan Fatha Qariba and other sons of the deceased

Satvā Daflé, who was at Islāmpuri, died On Thursday the 25th July, 1706, Tarbiyat Khan Bahādur was sent towards Rahman-Bakhsh-Kherā to chastise the 'thieves' Ābu Nasar Khan (son of Shāista Khan), an officer serving in Bengal, became Subahdār of Oudh vice Mirzā Khan-i-'Alam deceased A 3-hazāri (2,000 tr), he received an increment of 500 tr Siw Singh, qiladār and faujdār of Rāiri, became qiladār and faujdār of Nabishāhdurg, vice Lodi Khan, and also qiladār of Chākna vice 'Abdullah, thānadār of Shirwal A 1½-hazāri (1,000 tr), he received an increment of 500 zāt (300 tr) 'Azzuddin, son of Mu'izzuddin, and Muhammad Karim, son of Muhammad 'Azim, had been enjoying daily allowances, each was presented with forty lakhs of dām The Crown Prince sent the robe of appointment for the post of his Court agent to Muhammad Ikhlās-kesh, (whose name, through the grace of the Emperor had been prefaced by the holy word 'Muhammad' and thus rendered famous as Muhammad Ikhlās), and the latter made his bow to the Emperor

Mehtar Mubārak, messenger of the king of Balkh, had audience, and presented as peshkash, twelve horses and five mules Two dalis of robes, an elephant, and a horse were sent to Mu'ızzuddın Bahadur ın reward of hıs conquest of Malık Ghazı Muhammad Razā, son of 'Alı Mardān Khan Haidarābadi became qiladār of Rāmgarh vice his deceased father [517] A hazārı (200 tr), he received an increment of 200 tr Māndhātā, son of Rao Kānhu, an officer under Nasrat Jang, was appointed in company with Yasın Khan to conquer the forts Hanumant-garh and Parichhitgarh, within the promised period of one year 'Ināyetullah Khan, mutasaddi of tan and khālsa, used to stand on the carpet The Emperor granted him the honour of standing within the railing (katra) Mehtar Mubārak, the envoy, on the day of taking congee, received a robe, a dagger, an elephant, and 5,000 rupees in cash Yusuf Khan, qiladar and faujdar of Qamarnagar, became qıladar and faujdar of İmtiazgarh vice Chin Qalich-Khan Bahādur A hazārı (600 tr), he received an increment of 500 tr Zınat-un-nısa Begam had bled herself The price of tasadduq was sent to her, viz, 2,000 rupees from the Emperor, 2,500 rupees from Shah 'Ālıjāh, 1,000 rupees from Kām Bakhsh Hamıduddın Khan Bahādur showed the Emperor some sarpeches of chikan-work which he graciously accepted

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* * * [518] Muhammad Amin Khan Bahadur with his contrades having returned safe and Inden with spoil from the chastiscment of the enemy, was received in audience. He was honoured with the title of Chin Bahādur, Aziz Khan Bahadur Ruhela, was exalted by the addition to his name of the word 'Chaghtur' which was the designation of honour of his father Bahadur Khan. Mizzā Beg son of Nasrat Khan deceased who had brought to Court the articles of the crown Prince's peshkash, was presented with a jewelled dagger and sent back. With him were sent to the Prince a jewelled dagger, waist muttaka and punchhi worth 50 000 rupees

Muhammad Amin Khan Chin Bahādur a 4-hazārī (1 200 tr) received an increment of 300 tr Aziz Khan Bahadur Chightai, a 2½-hazarī received an increment of 500 zat Sulaimin Khan son of Khizir Khan Batani, a 1½ hazarī got an increment of 500 Khwāja Khan brother's son and (own) son in law of Siadat Khan Ughlān a 1½ hazārī (500 tr) had a hundred troopers added to his rank. A mar riage was settled between the daughter of Amir Khan deceased and Sultan 'Azzuddin son of Mu'izzuddin Ten thousand rupees were given to her for expenses Chin Qalich Khan Bahādur, nāzīm of Bijapur, was summoned [519] to Court and had audience Mun'im Khan nāīb Subahdār of Lahore, a hazārī, got an increment of 500 zāt (100 tr)

DEATH OF THE EMPEROR

After accomplishing holy war by wresting the spacious land of Deccan from the hands of hellish infidels and con quering the forts of this region on Sunday, the 20th January, 1706/16th Shawwal [520] he alighted at Ahmad-After one year of residence there, owing to the fickleness of fortune, he fell severely ill at the end of the month of Shawwal of the 51st regnal year (26th December, 1706—23rd January, 1707) But * he recovered from the illness According to his usual custom, he came to the "Court of the oppressed" several times and engaged in the business of the State In the course of this time, Shah 'Alıjah was sent to remedy the disorders of the subah of Mālwā, and Kām Bakhsh started for Bıjapur as Subahdār After a space of four or five days, a severe fever attacked His Majesty, and for three days, although the severity of it continued, he by exerting his natural strength of purpose and loftiness of spirit came to the Court ('adālatgāh) at every one of the five hours of prayer, for the purpose of offering his prayers with the congregation, reciting God's name and performing (other) religious duties, and he did not neglect a single item (of worship) In these days he frequently recited this couplet:

('In a twinkle, in a minute, in a breath, The condition of the world changes')

[521] In the afternoon of Thursday, the Emperor was shown a petition of Hamiduddin Khan Bahādur proposing the giving away of an elephant as tasadduq, and begging that 4,000 rupees, the price of the elephant, might be entrusted to the Qāzi-ul-qazāt Mullā Haidar for distribution among the poor The Emperor wrote the letter $s\bar{a}d$ ('correct') on it On the top (of the sheet), while he was in a condition which was almost that of the parting of life, he wrote "Convey this worthless person ($kh\bar{a}ks\bar{a}i$) to the first stage" On the morning of Friday, the 20th February, 1707/28th Zil Q 1118, the Emperor came out and went to his bed-room ($kh\bar{a}bg\bar{a}h$) to perform his morning prayer, and engaged in reciting God's names, and in spite of his being overcome by unconsciousness and difficulty of breathing, his fingers moved in counting the beads of the rosary and (his tongue) in repeating the phrase "There is no deity save God" When nearly one quarter of the day was over, in accordance with his own wish,—he used to say that it is a great boon to die on a Friday,—he passed away.

The Qazi, scholars, and pious men engaged in furnishing and shrouding his corpse for burial, in the terms of his

last will, [522] performed the funeral prayer, and kept his body in the khabgah, till at last at the request of Zinat un nisa. Began, second daughter of the Imperor, Prince Muhammad 'Azam, who had been halting twenty five kos from the imperial camp arrived on Saturday, the 22nd Lobruary, 1707/30th Zil. Q. and went into the deepest mourning.

On Monday, the 24th I obruary, the Prince in extreme grief carried the corpse on his own shoulders up to the hall of justice, by way of escorting it reverently, and then sent it away. According to His Majesty's last will, he was buried in the courtvard of the tomb of Shaikh Zannuddin [at Rauza, near Daulatabad] in a sepulchre built by the Emperor in his own lifetime.

[523] This place, called khuldābād, is eight kos from Aurangābad and three kos from Daulatābād. The red stone platform (chabutra) over his grave, not exceeding three vards in length two and a half yards in breadth and a free fingers in height, has a cavity in the middle. It has been filled with earth, in which fragrant herbs have been planted ** He is (now) remembered under the title of khuld makān.

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Through the numberless blessings of the angelic soul of this repository of Divine pardon, (after his death) not a trace appeared of those disturbances and ruin which descend on mankind during world-convulsing changes and so the people reposed on the cushion of confort exactly as they had passed their days in peace and happiness during the lifetime of this ever living soul. God's pardon and mercy be on him! The period of his life was 91 years and 19 days (lunar) and that of his reign 50 years, 2 months and 27 days. It is impossible for me to say inviting that can truly number the years of this Unique One of the Celestial Court. What can we speak of the life of a man who has been gifted with the life eternal? For ever awake hearts like him, it is the rule to avoid the word 'death. Verses.—

The pious have never died and will never die When applied to such men the name of death is properly speaking translation, That passionate pursuer of perfection, Muhammad Ikhlās (kesh) used to narrate, "In the night preceding that Friday on which [524] His Majesty went to visit the garden of divine pardon, 'Ināyetullah Khan and myself were distracted and depressed in mind and body at the imminence of such a great calamity; we took sorts by opening the poems of 'the Tongue of the Invisible' (the Diwān-i-Hāfiz) at haphazard and our eyes fell on the following ghazal.—

So long as any trace or name of the tavern and
the wine will remain (on earth),
My head will be the dust on the road of the Magi
On the soil that will bear the mark of the sole
of thy foot,
For years to come masters of sight (truly-sighted
men) will prostrate themselves in adoration.
When thou passest by my tomb, cheer up,
It will be a place of pilgrimage to the drunkards
of the world (= Sufis)

"Despair seized our souls, we passed the night in distraction of mind and anguish of heart. Next morning when one watch (three hours) of the day was over, the inevitable event took place. The night of the following Saturday (i.e., the night of the Friday, according to the Christian almanae) we came together again. Mullā Haidar, the Qāzi of the imperial army, arrived as a guest, we told him that we had taken sorts out of the Diwān-i-Hāfiz. However much we tried, we could not recollect the verses

We called for our books, but our baggage had been already packed up. Our company broke up. I fell asleep, when I dreamt that I was passing by a grave, a holy man (Haziat) appeared with half his body standing out of the grave, he spoke to me,

'The verses you have forgotten are these—
When thou passest by my tomb, cheer up,
It will be a place of pilgimage to the drunkards

(= Sufis) of the world '''

Verses.

He never dies whose heart is (evei) awake with love. My eternity has been inscribed on the pages of the world [525] The noble character of this perfect Sovereign As his blessed inture dictated he was characterized by perfect devotion to the rites of the Futh he followed the teaching of the great Imain Abu Hunfa (God be pleased with him!) and established and enforced to the best of his power the five foundations of Islam (five dully prayers). He was ever performing the purificatory havation (before prayer) and repeating the blessed words (of the Prophet) and other holy sayings and prayers. He used to perform the obligatory prayers for the time (of the day) in the masjid or with out a masjid in congregation, and all the sunnar and nawafil and the dearly loved (mustahabbat) ceremonies publicly and with perfect luminity. Fasting every month on the 12th and 13th days from the new moon (the brightest days) every week on Monday, Thursday and Friday, he used to perform the Friday prayer in the congregation mosque (Jim 1) in the company of all the Muslims and the community of the futhful

The sacred nights he used to pass in wakefulness. With the light of the grace of God he kindled the lamp of the church and the State In his excessive quest of truth in the sanctum sanctorum of the mosque of his royal residence, at nights he held converse with the men of God. In his private chamber he never reposed on a cushion (masnad) He used to pay the canonical zakat (contribution to the poor of 21 per cent every year) on the income that he had drawn and spent for his own food and clothing before his accession in ways which were free from scruple or doubt and what ever during his kingship he had added to the former by setting apart certain villages of Delhi and two or three salt producing mahals for his privy purse, calculating the zakat on the income of his royal sons also, he used to send the amounts to the needy The blessed month of Ramzan [526] he spent in fasting (in the day time) and to the very end of that month he used to remain busy up to midnight in per forming the Sunnan prayer and the tarawih and in chanting the entire Quran in full congregation along with crowds of pious and learned men On the 10th day of the month of Muharram ('Ashurah), he resided in the mosque in con tinual prayer The performance of the ceremonies pres cribed for the pilgrimage to Mecca—which was an obligation of the faith and the goal of his heart's desire—had outwardly

Twenty or more genuflexions made after the last prayer of Rammin

to be postponed by him owing to certain obstructions and difficulties, but in order to atone for it, he conferred so many favours (money) on the pilgrims going to the two Holy Cities that it was equivalent to the Great Hajj itself. And during his reign he used to send large amounts of money, for some years annually, at others once in two or three years, to the pious men living in retreat in those Holy Cities, and a large number of men in those holy places were permanently employed by him on daily stipends to act as his deputies in walking round the Ka'ba, bowing (to the Prophet's tomb), reading the two copies of the *Qurān* written by this pious Emperor with his own hand and presented to Medina, counting the beads, repeating the Islamic credo and performing other acts of worship

The characteristic qualities of scholars and the morals of perfect men, as they ought to be, were truly found in this Emperor of angelic character. His Majesty from the dawning of his understanding, being fully aware of the [canonical] duties and prohibitions, out of the perfect continence of his passions, never partook of any thing except the canonically sanctioned pleasures

All the agents of pleasure and entertainment, such as sweet-voiced singers or charming players on musical instruments, were gathered in large numbers round his throne, and in the first few years of his reign he occasionally listened to their music and had a perfect expert's knowledge of this art, yet out of extreme abstinence he [later on] totally gave up listening to music [527]

Those of the court chanters, singers and musicians who repented of their sinful art, he made happy by the grant of daily stipends and land as "aid to living" Mirzā Mukarram Khan Safavi, who was an expert in the musical art, once said to His Majesty "What is Your Majesty's view of music?" The Emperor answered (in Arabic) "It is mubah, neither good nor bad" The Khan asked, "Then what kind of it is in your opinion most worthy to be heard?" The Emperor replied, "I cannot listen to music without flutes, (be-mazāmii) especially pakhāwaj, but that is unanimously prohibited (harām), so I have left off hearing singing too"

^{*} Mubah, literally "allowed", 1 c, an action which a person, according to the Muslim Canon law, may do or let alone, it being attended with neither praise nor blame, indifferent (Encyclopacdia of Islam, 1v 322.)

He never wore garments declared impure by the Canon [such as robes of unmixed silk yarn], and not at all used vessels of gold or silver In his company, no improper word such as of slander or obscenity or falsehood was spoken His courtiers were instructed that when speaking or reading they should substitute some elegant word for every word that had any suspicion of being objectionable Out of his love for doing justice everyday, with open fore head and tender heart he used to stand up two or three times and grant justice to plaintiffs who used to find access in crowds without any obstruction to his court of justice and owing to the excessive kindness of His Majesty, used to state their plaints without the least fear or despair if in pleading their suits they used any bombast (hyperbole in praise or censure) or exaggeration (or straining any point) of language or wrong pronunciation (or wrong expression) he did not at all get angry, and no lowering of anybody s dignity was ever seen on His Majesty's part Many times his courtiers urged him to prevent (the plaintiffs) from displaying too much boldness (of speech) But he used to reply ' From hearing [528] such words and the occurrence of such cases, the (sovereign s) character acquires an angelic patience ' Never did he do any act which was without bene fit to the populace The tribe of harlots was expelled from Delhi and the same order was published in all the provinces and all sides of the imperial dominions

The work of the Censor of Morals was carried out to the full among the general public both high and low. In administering such a vast empire he never had recourse to any punishment except the hadud and sivāsat authorized by the Islamic Holy Law (Shara) and never issued an order for the killing of a man through the force of anger or the vehemence of passion and none else had the power to do such deeds. By reason of his recognition of the dignity of others and his appreciation of merit he used to honour Sayyids, Shaikhis and learned scholars (ulama). Through the auspices of this hearty endeavour the Hanafi creed (i.e. the Orthodox Sunni faith) has gained such strength and currency in the great country of Hindustan as was never seen in the times of any of the preceding sovereigns. By one stroke of the pen the Hindu clerks (writers) were dismissed from the public employment. Large numbers of the places of worship of the infidels and great temples of these wicked people have been thrown down and desolated. Men who can

make a correct extract (of the Quranic precept applicable to the particular case),—(therefore) the heart of this Emperor. the asylum of the Faith, was set on this that a syndicate of celebrated theologians and well known scholars of Hindu stan should go through the long authoritative books on juris prudence, which had been collected in the imperial library, extract the rulings of muftis, and compile one comprehen sive book out of them all, so that all may find out the authoritative rulings (on their cases) with ease This great work was entrusted to a board presided over by that highest of scholars Shaikh Nizām (of Bhagalpur in Bihār) and all the scholars engaged in the work were given good pay and sub sistence About two lakks of rupees were spent in preparing this book which was entitled the Fatawa's 'Alamgiri, and which rendered the world independent of all other books on urisprudence

Among His Majesty's many favours to the public was the abolition of the taxes on grain and other food stuffs, the charge for road patrols (rahdāri), the excise duty on cloth and other articles subject to the sāir (octroi), especially the duty on tobacco, which last article yielded a vast revenue and the excise-officers used to practise astonishing outrages on the modesty of women* in searching their persons under

the suspicion of its being smuggled

Another of his gracious concessions was the remission throughout his dominions (of certain cesses)+ on the Mus lims in particular and the aforesaid items on the people in general the total annual yield of which taken together ex ceeded thirty lakhs of rupees He also abolished the rule of realising from his mansabdars the unspent Government ad vances to their grandfathers and other kinsmen, which under the standing practice of the finance department used before his time to be recovered by gradual deduction from the pay of their mansabs, and credited to the Exchequer and which every year brought in a large total [531] His Majesty also forbade the practice of escheating to the State the property of the dead nobles who had left behind them no debt due to Government, but he let their heirs succeed to their legacy,whereas in former reigns the imperial collectors used strictly to confiscate such property and this rule proved a source of suffering to the surviving relatives The Emperor also sent

For examples see Manucci a Storia do Vogor ii. 178, Khafi Klun ii 88.
 For a list of the creases (3baribs) remitted by him see J Sankar's Alaghal Administration Ch. V Sec. 8 and 9

his faimāns to every subah ordering that the taxes (hāsilāt) should be collected only in accordance with the rules of the Holy Qurānic Law

The military activities that His Majesty had performed both before his accession to the thione and after it, have been embodied in the course of the occurrences described in this auspicious history. Here I shall write only a little about the wonderful firmness of His Majesty, which was witnessed when the imperial army (of Shāh Jahān) invaded Balkh, and 'Abdul 'Aziz Khan opposed him in battle. A hostile force, more numerous than ants and locusts, completely encircled the imperial army and engaged in fighting, in the very heat of the engagement, the time of the zuhan prayer arrived, His Majesty disregarding the dissuasions of his officers, alighted from his mount, adorned the ranks of prayer in congregation, and performed the namāzes, obligatory, sunnat and nafl, with firmness and perfect composure of mind 'Abdul 'Aziz Khan, as soon as he heard of this act of bravery, was overpowered by the force of the verse 'Help is from God', and gave up the fight, saying, 'To quarrel with such a man is to ruin one's self'.

Among the admirable pursuits of His Majesty, which adorned him with divinely bestowed conditions (hālāt-i-wahabiya, ecstasy?) was his diligent study of religious books, such as the Commentaries on the Qurān, the Traditions of the Prophet, and works on jurisprudence, [532] the writings of Imām Muhammad Ghazāli: selections from the books of Shaikh Sharf Yahia of Maner, Shaikh Zain-ud-din, Qutb Muhi Shiiāzi, and other books of the same class, which he perused constantly.

Another of his brilliant characteristics was the memorising of the Word of God—although from the beginning of his foitunate life he had committed to memory certain of the chapters (sura) of the Quiān as the result of his following the guidance of chanters, yet the Quiān was completely memorised by him only after his accession to the throne, with great exertion and angelic persistence. The date of his commencing this work of memorising will be found from the numerical value of the letters in the blessed section. Sanquick—falātinsi (=1071 A H) and the date of confidention from the phiase Lauh-i-mahriz (=1078).

The hand writing of His Majesty in the nash h style was exceedingly firm and wellformed, and he showed great energy in writing it. Two copies of the Holy Guran transcribed with his own hand—on the tablet (lawh) marginal lines in gold and silver and binding of which 7 (00) rupees had been spent,—he had presented to Medina He could also write the nastaliq and shikastah hands very well.

He possessed great skill in prose composition and letter writing and was well versed in prose and poetry (literature). But holding firmly to the precept of the holy verse. It is the erring who follow the poets', (Quran XXVI 224) he did not incline to the hearing of useless poetry. How then could he be expected to listen to adulatory verses? But poems breathing moral advice (he liked). Verses [538]

In order to please God the High and Splendid I have not Turned my eyes on any ghazāl (fawn like beauty) nor my ears on any ghazal (erotic ode)

It is beyond the power of the pen to embrace all the noble traits of the character of this Choice One of the Age, and to recount them (Verses omitted) * * *

ACCOUNT OF THIS HOLL EMPEROR S CHILDREN

This perfect natured Sovereign brought up his sons in such a way that through his outward and inward exertions they became endowed with high accomplishments and orthodox learning and came to possess an abundant share of virtue submissiveness to God, abstinence from un canonical acts the science and practice of kingship and generalship and skill in many useful arts

Guided by the Emperor they committed the Qurān to memory and acquired some amount of polite learning (under twelve heads) gained skill in writing different kinds of hand, and mastered the Turki and Persian languages. So, too, all the females of his harem (daughters) under his direction learnt the necessary rules and doctrines of religion and all engaged in the worship of God reading and transcribing the Qurān, and the acquisition of virtues and provision for the next world.

The Lord had given His Majesty five sons and five daughters [534] Here I shall give a brief account of each of them, although the affairs of the Emperor's sons and daughters have been narrated among the events of the life of this Emperor in the ' $\bar{A}lamginamah$ and this history of mine

- Sons —1 Prince Muhammad Sultān, borne by Nawāb Bāi, 4th Ramzān, 1049/19th December, 1639 He was noted for his noble manners and admirable qualities, memorised the Quiān, could read and write Arabic, Persian and Turki sufficiently well In the wars of His Majesty, this Prince performed brilliant exertions and gave proofs of his valour Died in the 20th year of His Majesty's reign
- Prince Muhammad Mu'azzam Shāh 'Alam Bahādur, born on the last day of Rajab, 1053/4th October, 1643, from the womb of the same queen as the above This epitome of the "Book of Night and Day", owing to his blessed character and the teaching of His Majesty, from the dawn of his reason, acquired noble traits of character and manly accomplishments When young he memorised the Quiān He has mastered the art of reading the Quran with the correct intonation, and he chants the verses with such a clear melodious voice, that [535] the listener's ears are never satiated with hearing it Before reading the verses, one verse is [cor from ms] the manzil (? phase, stage) with regard to this Chosen One of the Times He spent the time of his youth mostly in acquiring learning and united theoretical knowledge to practice For his knowledge of the Prophet's traditions, the trustworthy men of the age call him "the foremost master of the Hadis" He has such a minute and accurate knowledge of canon law that he can extract the Quranic or Hadis rule applicable to any case (very quickly) He speaks Arabic so correctly and elegantly that even the Arabs of Arabia praise it, and he has a perfect knowledge of the Turki and Persian tongues, in writing various kinds of hand he can serve as a master and guide to others He spends most nights in wakefulness, performing the nafl, the daily tasks, the chanting of the Quiān, the reading of books on the Hadis, commentaries on the Quiān, Canon Law, and right conduct (saluk) The morning

^{*} Māqabil-i-āyāt-khāndan āyite bud [Ms reads āst] manzil dar shān-i-ān barguzidah-i-rozgār Does the variant in the printed text mean that lie learnt the Qurānic verses one by one?

prayer (fajar) he offers at day break, and sits on a prayer carpet (musalla) elevated one spear's length, sometimes two

spears lengths

Next he appears at the window (of darshan) and delights the eves of the people waiting to see him, and listens to the petitions of oppressed persons seeking justice, here he stays as long as may be required on each particular day. Then he sits in the Hall of Private Audience and conducts the administration of the revenue and the Government on the reports of the High Diwans. Bakhshis and other officers After the prayer (of noon), he retires to the harem and takes his meal and repose for his health as sale. After offering the asar namāz he remedies the pain in the hearts of the oppressed. Before sunset, the officers in charge of the armoury present the weapons before His Majesty. [596]

After the sun has set kindling the lamps of adoration he performs the asha prayer at one third of the night past, and then retires to bed May the gracious God keep the shadow of this great monarch for ever on the heads of the people of the world I

3 Prince Muhammad Azam, born on 28th June 1653/12th Shabān 1063 to Dilras Bānu Begam the daughter of Shah Nawāz Khan Safavi The lustre of great ness shone from the first lunar station of his forehead and the star of intelligence glittered from the horizon of his life

By the excellent training of His Majesty (Aurangzib) he ascended to the pinnacle of perfection and gained an abundance of accomplishments and excellent qualities. That Emperor used to be extremely delighted with this Prince's noble character and excellent manners. He had a wonderful brilliancy and firmness, in contests of quick reputtee and discovering the aptest word he was everywhere very numble witted.

He had attained to the status of a comrade of his father who often used to say 'Between this pair of match less friends, a separation is imminent'. On the 18th Rabi A /8th June, 1707 three months and twenty days after the Emperor Alamgir's death, he died after fighting bravely in battle (against Shah 'Alam I, at Jājau) [537]

4 Muhammad Albar, born on the 12th Zil H, 1067/11th September 1657, to the Begam (Dilras Bānu) Under the teaching of his father he acquired sublime accomplishments. His death took place in Iran in the 48th

year of 'Alamgir's reign He had run away from the side of his august father to the wilderness of disappointment, but two things prove that his end was good the first is,—"The Emperor used to say that Akbar never gave up attending the congregated prayer with the (Sunni) community and he had not the least fear of the enemies of the faith (1 e, the Persian Shia's). Secondly, it was his fortune to be buried at the holy Mashhad at the place where the shoes are left behind by pilgrims to the tomb of the eighth Imam Musa " It would not be mapt to quote here the "letter by order" (hasb-ul-hukm) which the wise minister 'Inayetullah Khan wrote by command to Prince Bidar Bakht "When Muni'm Khan, the Court agent of the eldest Prince Shah 'Alam, on being appointed his diwan, got his congee for Kabul, advice was sent through him to his master urging him not to be negligent towards the mischievous vain intentions of Akbar-1-ābtai, who has ruined his present world and the next, and is residing at Faraht near Qandahar, and by the advice of the ruler of that country (the Shāh of Persia) would not go away elsewhere He is waiting there in the expectation that if the inevitable thing to which flesh is subject (namely the death of Aurangzib) should take place through the stroke of misfortune, and Shāh 'Alam would move out of Kābul to Hindustan, Ākbar would then enter Kābul and Multan with the help of the Persian (king), that deceitful carrion-eating demon (ghul) ‡ (In Arabic) "The evil example of those who take unto themselves other gods besides Allah'' (Qurān, xxv 3)

"To this grandson who will (soon) be with his august father 'Alıjah (Muhammad 'Azam) let me say by way of

to lend him a Persian army after his father's death, for contesting the throne with his brothers, which was a common thing in Islamic and other history † Farāh is south-west of the Mughal province of Kābul, which then included Ghazni but not Qandahār, and Akbar's presence just beyond the frontier was a standing menace to the peace of Hindustan (See Sarkar's Studies in Aurangzib's Reign, Ch. VI and House of Shivaii Ch. XI) ‡ Ghul is Persian for the ignis fatius, "Will of the wisp", who lured travellers into the wilderness at night by his false light, killed them and then ate the corpses, digging them out of graves. Spelt in English as ghoul (See Encyclopaedia of Islam, in 165)

§ This letter to Bidār Bakht has been given in an incorrect form in the printed text. I have translated the full original letter as given in 'Inäyetullah's Ahkam (my transcript of the Rampur State Library Ms, collated with the Safdar Nawab Ms. of Patina)

^{*} Akbar is an Arabic superlative meaning the greatest, while abtar is its antithesis, meaning the worst. So, after this prince's rebellion his imperial father ordered his name to be written in all official papers as abtar and also as the Rebel (Baghi) The Shah of Persia refused to give military aid to Akbar in a war with his father, (which was an act of impiety), but promised to lend him a Persian army after his father's death, for contesting the throne

parting advice (uasivial) that as far is possible [538] he should follow the policy of concord and abstain from fighting and quarrelling because to quarrel is to ruin one's own self and a stringe revolution will take place. Take pity on the people because the poor futhful community will be trodden down (in a war of succession). (Arabic) "And the end is for the pious and the next world is better and more lasting than this. Do what you choose '(Quran Ni 132, IXXXII 17, xli 40.)

5 Prince Muhammad Kām Baklish born on the 24th Pebruary, 1667/10th Ramzan, 1077 A H to Bāi Udipuri Brought up by the Emperor, he memorised the Qurān, and studied the standard books more than all his brothers, and acquired a great knowledge of the Turki language and skill in writing various kinds of hand. How can I embrace within the limits of my writing his bravery and liberality which were characteristic of these excellent princes? On 3rd Zil Q, 1120/3rd January 1709 two years after Aurangzib's death he fell fighting like a Rustam or an Asfandivār

DUGHTERS

1 Zeb un misä Begam born on the 10th Shawwāl 1047/15th February, 1638 (text wrong by one vear), to Begam (Dilras Banu) Through the auspicious upbringing of the God knowing Emperor (Alamgir) she learnt the Qurān by rote for which she received from the Emperor a reward of 30 000 gold coins. She completely mastered the Arabic and Persian languages and in writing various kinds of hand such as mastāliq mast h [5391] and shil astah correctly she had full competence. She appreciated the value of learning and skill and all her heart was set on the collection copying and reading of books and she turned her kind attention to improving the lot of scholars and gifted men. The result was that she collected a library the like of which no man has seen and large numbers of theologians scholars pious men poets scribes and calligraphists by this means came to enjoy the bounty of this lady hidden in the harem of grandeur eg Mullā Safi ud-din Ardbih by her order took up his residence in Kashmir and engaged in making a translation (into Persian) of the Great Commen tary on the Qurān' which came to be entitled Zeb ut tafāsir "The ornament of commentarjes" Other tracts

and books have been composed in her honoured name She died in her father's life-time, in the 46th year of his reign, 1113, (26th May, 1702)

- 2 Zinat-un-nisā Begam, born 1st Shabān, 1053/5th October, 1643, to Begam Dilras Bānu Her father brought her up in the knowledge of the doctrines and the necessary rules of the Faith Vast numbers of people received their livelihood from her bounty
- 3 Badar-un-nısā Begam, boın on 29th Shawwāl, 1057/17th November, 1647, to Nawāb Bāi Her father made her memorize [540] the Qurān, and read books on the Faith She spent her life in doing pious deeds She died on 28th Zil Q, in the 13th year of his reign/9th Apıil, 1670
- 4 Zubdat-un-nısā Begam, born on 26th Ramzān, 1061/2nd September, 1651, to Dılras Bānu Begam She employed heiself in adoring the Creator and thus gaining boundless rewards, was married to Sipihr Shukoh, the son of Dārā Shukoh, and died in the same year as her father, (in February, 1707)
- 5 Mihr-un-nisā Begam, born on 3rd Safar 1072/18th September, 1661, to Āurangābādi Mahal She died in the 50th year of her father's reign, 1116 A H / 1706 A D She was the wife of Izid Bakhsh, the son of Murād Bakhsh God be pleased with them!

GLOSSARY

- Aghābāni—must not be mistaken for Agha Khani that title being a 19th century creation I suggest Aghā bāshi chief of the Aghas or a certain class of Turkish Court officials or inferior officers up to the grade of captain Lucyclopædia of Islam 1800
- Thadi—gentleman trooper or soldier on a higher pay and status than the ordinary and serving directly under the Emperor IR 10 43 BL 250
- Anna—land granted either rent free or subject to a small quit rent to learned and religious persons of the Muslim faith or for religious and charitable uses in relation to Islam WL 13

Alhta begi-master of the horse IR 21

- Anant—a bracelet of gold usually in the form of a snake with its tail entering into its mouth (named after the Anant snake on which Vishinu reclines)
- Ārgajā—a perfume of a yellowish colour compounded of several ingredients FB 30

Arsi-a small mirror set on a thumb-ring FB 29

- Arz: mukarrar—confirmation of an order (for appointment promotion etc.) by reporting the order to the Emperor a second time. IR 13 18
- Asa-a long stick or mace coated with silver carried before a man of rank WL 34
- Atr of fitna-scent or essence of the flower fitna (which see)
- Bahha—infantry armed with muslets (mostly Rajputs of Oudh) see Crooke's N W Provinces 212-213 WL 46 calls them Baheria a clan of Rajputs in Ianput and Chunkr
- Bait ul măl—the public treasury into which payments on various accounts are made and according to the sources from which they are derived applicable to the support of different classes of persons an escheat property that falls to the Crown on failure of heirs goes into it WL, 48
- Bakawal-head cook superintendent of a kitches FB 118
- Bălāband—(1) turban-ornament IR 29 (2) a coat of a particular kind FB 91
- Bălădast (khil at)—(probably) a superior kind of khil at Baru-ândâz—Match lockmen IR 20 166
- Bayutāt—short for diwan i-bayutat an officer who registered the property of deceased persons, in order to secure the payment of the dues of the State as well as to safeguard the property for the heirs SK 53
- Båz—(p 67) a mustake for tär See Shamsher Båzuband—a bracelet or an amulet worn on the arm FB 90 Beldår—a digger IR 173
- Bid i mushk-musk willow celebrated for its fragrance FB 155

Chabutra of Kotwāl—platform in front of the police-prefect's office, where criminals or their severed heads were exposed to public view SK 66-71

Chādar—(1) a missile of spreading fire IR 131

Chakmaq-battle-ave, IR 81

Chāmar—fly-whisk, usually made of the tail of the Yak cow

Chār-qab—"chār-qubā is a vest without sleeves—It covers only the breast and the back and reaches up to the shoulders—The front and the arms are covered with frills made of (small) pearls" (Letter c 10 Dec 1784 of the Maratha envoy in Delhi Dilliyethil M. Rajkaranen, 1 No 133)

Chaugharā—a small box with four partitions for holding betel-leaf,

nut, chunam, and spices, or for perfumes FB 336

Chauki-i-khās—the special watch or guard placed round the Emperor's person

Haft chanki—the patrol conducted by noblemen round the Emperor's residence, one on each day of the week IR 188 BL 257

Chobdār—a mace-bearer, a servant whose business is to announce the arrival of company FB 332

Daftardāi—Registrar, recorder FB 384

Dāgh-branding of horses at muster IR 46

Dām—a small com of which 40 made a rupee IR 6

Dāna-kesh—a kind of embroidered neck-cloth, worn in cold weather over the cloak FB 372

Dangal-crowd, party

Darogha—superintendent or chief of a department or office

Dār-ul-ınshā-"writing office", Secretariat

Deorhi—literally a gate, the audience or office held in the front room or portico FB. 410

Dhakdhaki-dhuki, an ornament worn on the breast FB 401

Dhup—a straight sword Usually Deccam IR 76

Diwān—(1) Hall of Audience (2) Revenue minister

Do- \bar{a} sp \bar{a} —a trooper with two horses and receiving higher pay than the ordinary IR 23

Do-balgha-

Do-dāmi—flowered muslin, the flowers worked with a needle FB 391

Doli—also dola, a sort of sedan in which women are carried, inferior to a palki WL 147

Do-patta—a kind of veil in which there are two breadths, a sheet for covering the body when sleeping FB 391

Do-shāla—two shawls sewn together, (a single shawl is never worn by Indians) FB 394

Ek-lari—an ornament (necklace) with one string only

Fath-pech—a mode of tying the turban FR 535 Probably here, a cloth for tying the beard (fatha)

Filkhānah—Elephant stables, also the department of elephants

Fitna—a species of mimosa or acacia, bearing flowers and having a powerful scent FB 535

Fota—a cloth which they wrap round the middle when going to bothe FB 539

Gaj mānik—see BL 118 An excrescence resembling a large pearl on the forehead of a first-class elephant FB 609 it is a popular idea among the Hindus that the finest gems (mānik) and pearls (moti) are to be found in the heads of elephants and serients

Gainal—a small gun mounted on an elephant IR 135

Ghor nal—a long musket or swivelgun fired from hor-e back IR 111 has Ghor dahan

Ghusal khānah—literary bath room but in Mughal history applied as the popular name to the Emperor's hall of private audience because in the new palace of Agra fort built by Shah Jahan this hall occupied the site of Akbar s bath room (now demolished). It is a fanciful theory of some European writers that the Mughal hall of private audience was so called because every Emperor gave audience to his select grandees when he was washing! This theory is due to the false analogy of Louis VIV of France giving audience to his nobles when he was rising from his bed (whence the term levee) and the nobles handed to His Majesti his soap and towell!! It is true that Akbar allowed the highest officers to report urgent business to him when he was bathing. Abd Hamid Padishah namah IA 148

Gulalbār—outer enclosure of the Emperor's own residential tents IR 199

Huqqa-hand grenade IR 282

Ilaqa—lace worl. (FB 526) or pearls strung in the form of a border Inā m—lterally c present or grift in this book a cash grift over and above the pay of a person s mansab BL 271 Later (esp in the Deccan) it came to mean a rent free grant of land WL 217 218

Jahalam—correctly Jihlam the vizor of a helmet (Steingass spells it as chahlam) IR 68

Jilau Lhanah—yard for the parade of led horses BL 142 n Jamdhar—a Lind of dagger IR 86 EG Plate I no 27

Ja namaz khanah—the Emperor's prayer room the materials of which were kept in an anteroom of the palace chapel

Jigha—an ornament of gold and jewels worn in the helmet FB 308 crest aigrette

Jhumka-the bell-shaped pendant of an earring FB 306

Kajāwah—a camel s saddie a kind of camel s litter in which females travel FB 561

Kalgi-an ornament on the turban

Kamar-band—a girdle a long piece of cloth girt round the loins FB 581

Kangan—also Kankan an ornament worn on the wrists by women bracelet FB 588

Karah—a ring worn on the wrists ankles etc FB 570

Karori—collector of the Government dues of a certain area (originally estimated to yield one kilor of dam or Rs 2,50,000), or market place SK 86

Khās—literally, special, superior kind of articles made for the Emperor's use, or articles already used by the Emperor

Khatam-bandi-khānah—department of setting shells FB 356 gives a different meaning

Khawās—a domestic servant, a page

Khil'at—robe of honour conferred by the Emperor and other high persons

Khil'at-khānah—department or factory for the manufacture and storing of robes of honour

Khush-āspā—possessing excellent or superior horses

Khush-manzil—an officer whose duty was to select good places for the Emperor's halt during his marches, he fixed the limits of each stage of the journey

Khutba—the royal titles as proclaimed from the pulpit before prayers Kirkirāq-khānah—ward-robe of a peculiar kind Full description in Sarkar's Mughal Administration, p. 193

Langri—(misspelt as langar), a large shallow metal pan used for kne iding bread in or serving rice FB 650

Latkan—drops worn in the ear FB 642

Mahalla—parade of an officer's contingent of troops IR 46 Māhi marātib—māhi o maiātib, or fish and standard, the highest insignia of distinction IR 31-33

Makri—an ornament for the ear resembling a spider's web

Māmk—gem

Mashk—leather-bag

Masnad—royal seat, usually a cushion or carpet raised above the floor Mir Tuzuk—chief marshal, an officer whose duty it is to preserve order in a march or procession. FB 722

Misl-station, department, here encampment

Mufti—assistant to the Qazi or judge, he consulted the old Arabic works on jurisprudence and stated the abstract law bearing on the case to the Qazi, who pronounced the sentence SK 27 Muttakā—cushion or couch FB 665

Muzāwwar—? probably, a retaining wall or buttress (pushta)

Naqdı-troops paid in cash IR 14, 20

Naqqār-khānah—band-room

Nazar-present made to a superior

Nāzīr—superintendent of an office, esp the harem

Niāz—offering made usually in fulfilment of a vow, or by way of dedication or prayer

Nunchāh—A short sword IR 75, 112

Nisār—literally sacrifice, money waved round the head of the Emperor and then scattered among the people to ensure God's blessings for his health or victory

Pakhwaz-a kind of drum a timbrel I'B 201

Pan-betel leaf chewed in India

Parastār—(1) servant girl (2) concubine sometimes also married wife Par i kaling—feather of the heron used as a crest

larling—leather of the heron used as a cres

Parm parm—

Peshdast-office assistant head clerk (?)

I hul katara-a kind of dagger

Prahar-one quarter of the day or night 3 hours

Punchhi-an ornament like a fish tail

Qur—The Turkish standard of balls and the Yak cow's tail fixed on a rod and borne aloft imperial insignia the officer in charge of these was called the Qur begi

Rahkala-wheeled field piece IR 135 139 140

Rāk—Shalwār—Shalwār means trousers If rāk be taken as rak (or yein rag) it would mean striped trousers

Sadr-civil judge (and royal almoner) SK 28

Sadr us-sadur—the chief Civil Judge and Almoner 1 e supervisor of the religious endowments of the Emperors SK 29

Sihra—a wreath worn on the head by a bridegroom and a bride at the

Sarbāri—a porter who carries loads on his head but on p 135 chief Sarf i khās—literally privy purse the Emperor's private expenditure Sarpech—an ornament in front of a turban FB 464 Sawār—(1) trooper (2) additional men assigned to a mansabdar as

a mark of distinction IR 5-8

Säz—trappings, harness accountements ornament Sehbandi—militia or irregular troops enlisted for assisting in revenue collection

Shāgird peshā—menials

Shamsher band-o-baz (p 67)—wrongly printed and translated. The correct nords are Shamsher-bandi e lär: nuqra a sword-belt decorated with silver filigree work' IR 75 is doubtful about

Shutar nal—a long piece fired from the back of a camel

Smarani—a small rosary or string of beads for prayer FB 477
Sukh sajyā khānah—department or store of cosy beds for the

Emperor
Suzani—a kind of coverlet sometimes ornamented with needle work

Taber-dar-wood-cutter a man plying an axe

Takht i rawan-literally portable throne litter for the Emperor's riding

Talair-?

Tashiha-verification at muster IR 53

Tan-short for tankhwa

Tankhwa—cash payment of officers usually by an order on a treasury
as distinguished from jagu or payment by the assignment of
the land revenue of a marked place

Tagah—a single sliken garment Steingass 806

Than—one entire piece of cloth, sometimes 20 or 40 yards

Top-khānah—the artillery department, which included all fire arms, not only cannon, but also muskets and rockets whether handled by chorsemen or infantry

Tora—a bag containing a thousand rupees FB 250

Tuighun falcon—not mentioned among the various classes and breeds of falcons kept by Akbar BL 293-295

Tuman tugh-a kind of standard IR 31, 34

Wāla-shāhi—the household troops, or men raised and paid by the Emperor out of his privy purse IR 40

Zamburak—a long musket fired from a camel's back, and resting on a prong IR 135

Zarah-or Zirih, a kind of armour IR 66 Coat of chain mail, EG 120

Zāt—the personal rank of a mansabdar, as distinct from his sawar or trooper rank IR 5

Note - Words commonly used in Muslim religious practices and Persian and Arabic literature are not included in this list The following works will supply fuller information or authority on my translation

Abbreviations—

BL—Eng trans of the Ain-i-Akbari, vol I, by Blochmann (1873)

EG-Egerton's Handbook of Indian Arms, (London, 1880)
FB-Forbes's Dictionary, Hindustani and English, 2nd ed (London, 1866)

IR-W Irvine's Army of the Indian Moghuls, (London, 1903)

SK —Jadunath Sarkar's Mughal Administration, 3rd ed (1935)

WL-Wilson's Glossary of Judicial and Revenue Terms, (London, 1855)



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